¶ The statutes concernynge the comon wele made in the parliament holden at westmynster the xiii day of October In the reygne of oure souereyne lorde the kynge: kynge henry the seuenthe: eleuenth yere.

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¶ fo; punysshynge of periurye: and lessynge of the penalte in at teynt. capitulo xxiiii°
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¶ fo; fustians to be shoȝne with the bȝode Shere. caplõ xxvii°.

The kynge oure ſouerayne lorde Henry the vii. after the conqueſt by the grace of god kynge of Englonde and of Fraunce and lorde of Irlonde. Atte his parliamente holden at weſtm the xiiii day of October in the xi yere of hys reigne to the honoure of god and holy churche. And for the comon profyte of the realme by the aſſente of the lordes ſpiritual and temporall & the comons in the ſayde parliament aſſembled/ and by auctorite of the ſame parliament hath do to be made certayn ſtatutes and ordinaūces in maner and fourme folowynge.

That men goynge to batayle with the prince &c. ſhal nat be attaynted. Capitulo Primo.

THe kynge oure ſouerayne lorde callynge to hys remēbraunce the dutye of alliegeaūce of his ſubgettes of this his reame þ they by reſon of the ſame are bounde to ſerue ther prynce & ſouerayne lorde for the tyme beynge in his werres: for the defence of hym and the lande ayenſt euery rebellyon power: and myght reared ayenſt him and with him to entre and ryde in ſeruice in batayle if the caas ſoo requyre. And that for the ſame ſeruice what fortune euer fall by chaunce in the ſame batayle ayenſt the mynde and wylle of the prynce. As in thys londe ſometyme paſſed hath be ſene. That it is nat reſonable but ayenſt all lawes reaſon & good conſcience þ the ſayde ſubgettes goynge with their ſouerayne lorde in warres attendynge vpon him in his perſon or beynge in other places by his cōmaūdement within this lande or without any thynge ſhuld leſe or forfeite for doyng ther true dute & ſeruice of alliegeaunce. It be therfore ordeyned enacted & eſtabliſſhed by the kyngeour ſouraine lorde by aduiſe and aſſent of the lordes ſpiritual and temporal & comons in this preſent parliament aſſembled & by auctorite of the ſame that from henſfurth no maner of perſone ne perſones what ſoo euer he or they be that attende vpon the kynge & ſouereyne lorde of this lande for the tyme beynge in his perſone: and doo him true and feythfull ſeruyce of alliegeaunce i the ſame or be in other places by his cōmaundment in his werres within this londe or without that for the ſame dede and true ſeruyce of alliegeaunce he or they be in no wyſe conuycte

or attaynt of high treson ne of other offences for that cause by acte of parlyament or other wyse by any proceſſe of lawe wherby he or any of theym ſhal mowe forfeyte lyfe landes: tenementes rentes poſſeſſions hereditamentes godes catell or any other thinges but to be for the dede and ſeruyce vtterly diſcharged of any veracyon trouble or loſſe. And if any acte or actes or other proceſſes of the lawe hereafter therupon for the ſame happen to be made contrarye to this ordynaunce: þ than þ acte or actes or other proceſſe of the lawe what ſomeuer they ſhal be: ſtande and be vtterly voyde. Prouyded alwey that no perſone ne perſones ſhall take any benefite or auauntage by this acte: which ſhall herafterre declyne from his or their fayde alygeaunce.

For punyſſhment of vacabundes and beggers Capitulo ſecundo

FOr as moche as the kynges grace mooſt entierly deſireth amonge al arthely thynges the proſperite and reſtfulnes of this his land & his ſubgettes of the ſame to lyue quietly & ſuerly to the pleſure of god & acordinge to his lawes willinge alwayes of his pyte intendynge to reduce them therto by ſofter meanes than by ſuch extreme rigour therfore purueyed in a ſtatute made in the tyme of kynge rycharde the ſecounde conſiderynge alſo the great charge that ſhuld growe to his ſubgettes for byggyng of vacabundes to the gaoles acordynge to the ſame ſtatute & the longe abidynge of theym therin. wherby by likelyhode many of theim ſhulde leſe ther lyues. In modringe of the ſaide eſtatute his highnes wil by thauctorite of this preſent parliament it be ordeyned & enacted: that where ſuch myſdoers ſhulde be by examynacon commytted to the comon gaole there to remayne as is aforſaid that the ſhiref Mayres Bailifs high conſtables & pety Conſtables & al other gouernours & officers of Cyties Burghes Townes townſhips villages and other places within thre dayes after this acte proclamed: make due ſerch and take or cauſe to be take all ſuch vacabundes ydle & ſuſpecte perſones liuynge ſuſpecioufly: and theym ſo take to ſytte in ſtockes there to remayne by the ſpace of thre dayes & thre nightes and there to haue none other ſuſtenaunce but breed & water. and after the ſayd thre daies and thre nyghtes to be had out and ſette at large and than to be com-

maunded to auoyde the towne. And if eftsones he be take in such defawte in the same towne or townes hyp thanne he be sette in lyke wyse in stockes by the space of vi dayes with lyke dyete as is before reherced and if any persone or persones gyue any other mete or drynke to the same mysdoers beynge in stockes in fourme aforesayde or the same persones fauoure in their mysdoynge þ than they forfeyte for euery tyme so doynge xii pence/ And also it is ordeyned by the sayd auctoryte that all maner of beggers nat able to werke withi vi wekes next after proclamatõn made of this act goo reil and abyde in his hundred where he laste dwelled or there where he is best knowen or borne there to remayne or abyde without beggynge oute of the sayd hundred vpon payne to be punysshed as is before sayde. And that noo man be excused by that he is a clerke of one vnyuersyte or of other/ without he shewe the letters of the Chaunceler of the vnyuersyte from whens he sayth he cometh: nor none other callynge hym self a Souldyoure Shypman/ or trauellynge man without he brynge a letter from hys Capytayne or from the towne where he landed and that he than to be commaunded to goo the streyghte hyghe waye into his countree ¶ And ouer this it is ordeyned by auctoryte aboue sayd that if any shyref or other officer afore reherced execute nat the premysses as is aboue sayde of euery vagabunde heremyte or begger able to laboure or clerke pilgreme or shypman as ofte as any suche cometh in his syght or that he hathe therof knowlege wythin the towne where he hath auctoryte rule or gouernaunce: that as ofte as any suche of the sayde mysdoers abydynge there by the space of a day departen vnexamyned and vnpunysshed as is aboue saide: For euery mysdoer soo departed: he to lese xx s. ¶ And that the lorde of euery Lete within this realme and the Shyref in hys Tourne haue auctoryte to enquire therof in his Lete and Tourne: and the lorde in the Lete to haue for euery defawte founde as is aboue sayde xx s. and the Shyref to enquyre in his tourne of such escapes within the iurisdyccon of his tourne and to haue xx. pence for euery such defawte founde in his Tourne: and that the penaltee lymytted by this ordinaunce to be forfeyted by any officer or any other persone for nonpunisshment of vagabundes and other myscruled persones within euery Cytee where Mayre and Aldermen been that the profyte of euery suche penaltee be vnto the aldermen of euery ward where such forfeiture is had or made

to his owne vse & prouffite. ¶ And also it is ordeyned and enacted by the sayd auctorite þt it shall be lawfulle to euery man Intytled to haue the sayde penaltie to distreyn for it in lyke wyse as the lord of any lete may do for amerciamentis & fynes had and assessed in the same lete: & furthermore it is ordeyned & enacted by the sayde auctorite þ none apprentice ne seruaunt of husbondrye laborer: ne seruaũt artificer play at the tables from the tenth day of Januarye next comyng but only for mete & drinke ne at the tenys closshe dyce cardes bowles nor any other vnlawful game in no wyse out of Crismas. and in Crismas to play only in the dwellinge hous of his mayster or where the master of any of the sayd seruaũtes is present vpon peyne of ymprisonement by the space of a day i the stockes openly. And that the housholder where dicynge cardyng tenys playnge bowles closshe or any other vnlawfulle game afore rehersed shal be vsed otherwyse than is afore rehersed: and that lawfully be prefered bifore Justices of the peas the Mayre shyref in his tourne or lewarde in his lete or by examynacyon had afore the said Justices of peas that proces be made vpon the same as vpon endytement of trespas ayenst the kinges peas. And þ the sayd misdoer be admytted to no fyne vnder the lõme of vis viiid. and þ it be lawful to two of the Justices of the peas wherof one shal be of the Quor within ther auctorite to reiecte & put away comon alle selligе in townes & places where they shal thynge conuenyent & to take suerte of the kepers of ale houses of ther gode behauynge by the discrecõn of the sayde Justices & the same to be aduysed & aggreed at the tyme of their Sessions. ¶ Prouyded alway þ dy mynicõn of punyshment of vacabũdys & beggers aforesaid may & shal be had for wymen great withe childe and men and wymen in extreme sykenesse by him that hath auctorite to do the sayd punyshmentes this acte nat withstandynge.

That actes made ayenst vnlawful reteynours ryottes &c. shulde be put in execucõn Capitulo. lii

The kynge our souereyne lorde callynge to his remembrance that many gode statutes & ordinaunces be made for the punyshment of ryottes vnlawful assembles reteyndours and yeuerynge and receyuinge of lyueres signes and tokens vnlawfully extorcõns mayntenaũces sorcery exessiue takinge of wages cõ/

trary to the statute of labourers & artyficers the vse of vnlawful games inordinate appareyl & many other great enormytees & offences which ben cõmytted & done dayly contrary to the gode statutes for many & dyuers behoueful cõsideracõns seuerally made & ordeyned to the hygh displaysure of almyghty god & the greate let of the comon lawe wele of this londe/ nat withstandynge þ generally by the Justyces of peas in euery shyre within this realme in the open Sessyons is gyuen in charge to enquire of many offences cõmytted cõtrary to dyuers of the sayde statutes & dyuers enquestys therupon there streyghtly sworne: and charged before the sayd Justyces to enquyre of the p̃misses and therin to present the truth which are letted to be founde by imbracerie mayntenaũce corruption and fauoure by occasyon wherof the sayd estatutes be nor can nat be put in due execucion For reformacõn wher of for somoch that before this tyme the said offences extorciõs contemptes and other the premysses myght nat nor as yet may be conuenyently punysshed by the due ordre of the lawe except it were first founde and presented by the verdyte of xii men therto duly sworne which for the causes afore reherced wyl nat fynde nor presente the truthe: wherfore be it by the aduyse/ and assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall and the comons in thys present parlyament assembled & by auctoryte of the same enacted ordeyned and establysshed: that fromhensforth as wel the Justyces of assyse in the open Sessyons to be holden afore theym and euery of theym as the Justices of the peas in euery Countee of the sayde realme vpon imformacyon for the kynge tofore theym to be made/ haue ful power and auctoryte by theyr discrecyon to here and determyne all offences and contemptes cõmytted and done by any p̃sone or persones ayenste the fourme ordynaunce and affecte of any statute made and nat repelled. And that the sayde Justyces vppon the sayde Informacion haue ful power & auctoryte to a warde/ & make lyke processe ayenst the sayde offenders & euery of theim as they shuld or myght make ayenst such p̃sone or p̃sones as be p̃tented & indyted before them of trespas done contrary to the kynges peas & the sayd offẽder & offenders duly to punyssh acordynge to the purport fourme & affect of the sayd estatutes & also be it enacted by the sayd auctoryte þ the persone whych shall gyue the sayd ĩformacõn for the kynge shal by the discrecion of the said Justices content & pay to the sayd persone or persones ayenste whome the

sayd Informacõn shall be so gyuen his resonable costes and damages in that behalfe sustayned if it be tryed or founde agaynste hym that so gyueth or maketh any such Informacyon. ¶ Prouyded alwey that any suche Informacõn extende nat to treason murdre or felonye nor to any other offence wherfore any persone shall lese lyfe or membre: ner to lese by ner vpon the same Informacyon any landes tenementes godes nor catelles to the partye makynge the same informacõn ¶ Prouyded also that the sayde Informacyon shal nat extende too any persone dwellynge in an other Shyre than there as the sayd Informacyon shalbe gyuen or made sauynge to euery persone & persones Cyties and Townes al their libertees & fraunchyses to theym and euery of theym of right be longynge and appertaynyge.

That one weyght and one mesure shalbe vsed thrugh this realme Capitulo iiii

Prayen the comons in this present parliament assembledde where dyuerse actes statutes: and ordynaunces in the tymes of the noble progenitours and predecessours of oure now souereyne lorde the kynge haue be made: that one mesure and one weyght shuld be vsed throughout thys noble realme. and also þ in euery Cyte Burgh and towne within the same reame vpon certeyn and seuerall peynes in the sayd statutes and ordinaunces ymytted shulde be comon balaunce with comon weyghtes and comon mesures marked acordynge to the estandarde of the Eschequer by the which & other lyke balaunces weyghtes and mesures marked acordynge to the sayd estandard al men shuld bye & selle in auoydynge of al fraude and discorde in that behalfe to be vsed which actes statutes & ordynaunces haue nat be obserued & kepte as nowe in this present parliament it hath be openly by diuers persones of diuers parties of this realme remembred to the great hurte & vexacõn of diuers & many of the kinges subgettes of this his reame. For remedy wherof be it of your habundaũt grace & charge our most gracious souereyn lord by thassent of the lordes spũal & tẽporal & by the comons in this present parliament assẽbled: & by auctoryte of the same enacted & establysshed þ vnto the knyghtes & cytesens of euery shyre & cyte assembled in this presente parlyament barons of the v portes: and certeyne burgeyses of Burghe

Townes or they departe from this present parliamentnt be deliuered one of euery weyght & meſure which nowe oure ſouerayne lorde hathe cauſed to be made of braſſe for the comon wele of alle his ſubgettes & lieges within this his realme of Englonde accordynge to the kynge oure ſouereyne lordes ſtandarde of his eſchequer of weyght & meſure as they ben in theſchequer of oure ſayde ſouerayne lorde and that the ſayde knyghtes Cytezens and burgeyſes to whom the ſayde weightes & meſures ſhal be deliuered as is afore ſaide ſuerly conueye or cauſe the ſame to be cõueied on this halfe the feeſt of Eſter nexte comynge by the ſayde Cytezyns to theyr Cytees and by the ſayde knyghtes vnto ſuche Burgh or towne coꝛporate or market Towne within the ſhyre: for whyche they been elected as is ſpecifyed & conteyned in a ſedule vnto this preſent byll annexed there to remayne for euer in the keppynge of the Mayre Bayly or other hede Officer for the tyme beynge of the ſame cyte Burgh or Towne as the kynges ſtandarde of weyghte and meſure. And that thynhabitantys of al Cytes Burghs and markette townes wythin euery of the ſayde ſhyres ſhalle on this halfe the feeſt of the natyuyte of ſaynte John baptyſte nexte comynge make or cauſe to be made comon meſure & weightes accordynge to the weyghtes and meſures aboueſayd ꝙ remane within the ſame cytees burghs and market townes & euery of them and the ſame weyghtes & meſures to be vewed examyned prynted ſygned and marked by the Mayre Bayly or other hede officer in whoos poſſeſſion the forſayde ſtandarde ſhalle remayne: & that euery of the aforſayde Mayre Bayly or hede officer hauyng the ſayde weyghtes and meſures ſygned & prynted vndre the ſygne and prynte for the ſame with a letter H. crowned to be printed to aſſigne and prynte lyke weyghtes and meſures vnto euery the kynges lyege and ſubgettes duly requirynge the ſame: takynge for markyngt of euery buſſhelle id. and from the ſayde feeſt of the Natyuite of ſaynt John Baptyſte: no marchaunte ne other perſone ne perſones within any Cyte or markette towne bye ne ſelle wyth any weyght or meſure except it be marked ſygned or prynted in maner and fourme afor ſayde ne any other perſone or perſones oute of the ſayde cytees burghs and market townes except it be lyke and egal with the ſayde eſtandarde and that euery perſone aſwel withoute cytees burghes and market townes as withi bye & ſell with a buſſhel ſcaled ſigned or marked after the fourme

afore sayde and none otherwyse: and that al the Mayres bailles and other hede officers of euery cyte Burgh/ or markette towne. shall cause twyes in the yere or oftener as they shal thynke necessary all weyghtes and mesures within the sayde cytees burghes and markette townes to be brought afore theym and to be duely vewed and examyned: and such as they shal vpon the sayde examynacõn fynde defectif: immediatly to be broken and brent and the partye or partyes which in that behalfe hath offended and be founde defectif: shall forfayte for the firste tyme vi s. viiid. The forfeyture therof to be to the saide Mayre Baily or any other hauynge Jurisdiccõn and correccõn in that behalfe and at the seconde tyme the sayde offender like wise to forfeyte xiii s. iiii. d. and at the thirde tyme lyke wyse to forfayte xx s. and ferther punysshmente to be sette vpon the pylory to the ensaumple of other.

And that two Justyces of peas wherof one shall be of the Quorum haue auctorite as well by examynacõn as by enquire to here: and determyne the defautes of the sayde Mayres bailles & other hede officers in that behalfe/ and also of al biers and sellers doynge cõtrary to this present acte and ordynaunce/ and to set fyne/ & mercement vpon the offenders by their discrecion. And the sayd weyghtes and mesures so founde defectyf to be forfeyted and brente Be it also enacted that there be but only viii bussheles rased and streken to the quarter of corne: and xiiii li. to the stone of wulle & xx li stone to the Sacke. Be it also ordeyned by the auctorite abouesayde: þ the Justices of peas abouesayd haue auctorite to make lyke processe ayenst al persones founden as is abouesayd defectyf/ and for such fynes and amerciamentes as vpon theym shall be sessed as if they were endyted afore theym: for brekynge of the kynges peas. And that where by other statutes and ordenaũces afore lymytted. It is ordeyned that euery cyte burgh and towne that hathe a cõstable shulde haue comon weyghtes and mesures sealed vpon penaltees in the same lymytted that those penaltees in þ behalfe extende nat to any towne whiche is no Cyte Burghe nor market Towne Prouided alwey that this acte shalle nat extende nor be preiudiciall to any persone sellynge or byenge by water mesure within the shipborde. And that it be by the auctorite abouesayd enacted the pmysses or any other ordynaũce afore made nat withstandynge that the sayd water mesure within the shipborde: shal only cõteyne v pecks after the sayde standard rased

and ſtreken. Prouyded alſo that the examinacion of defawtes a bouelayd & punyſſhment to the offenders of euery offence cõmyt ted herafter within any of the layd v poꝛtes ſhalle be had done & admynyſtred by the loꝛde wardeyn of the layd v poꝛtes oꝛ by his lieutenaunte of the ſame foꝛ the tyme beynge/ and by none other of premiſſes nat withſtãdynge Pꝛouided alway that thys acte of weightes and meſures extende nat noꝛ be in any wiſe hurtfull/ oꝛ pꝛeiudicial to the prince wythin the duchye of Coꝛnewall foꝛ any weyghtes apperteynynge & belongyng to the Cunage of Tynne within the countees of Coꝛnewall and Deuonſhyre: but that all ſuche weightes be vſed oꝛdred demeaned and coꝛrected as it hath ben vſed and accuſtumed befoꝛe this tyme the ſayd acte and oꝛdy naunces nat withſtandynge.

The names of tolwnes lymytted foꝛ the ſaufcuſtody of weyghtes and meſures accoꝛdynge to the kynges eſtan derde foꝛ the ſhyres folowynge as pticulerly appereth.

Weſtm'	The towne of appulby.
Noꝛthumbt	the towne of Newcaſtell
Cumbt	the cyte of carleol
Lanc	the towne of Lancaſtre
Ebor	the cyte of yoꝛke
Lyncoln	the cyte of Lyncoln
Derb.	the towne of Derby
Notingh.	the towne of Notyngham
Leyc	the towne of Leyceſtre
Warr	the towne of couentre
Roter'	the towne of Uppyngham
Noꝛth	the towne of noꝛthampton
Bedn	the towne of Bedfoꝛd
Buk.	the towne of Bukyngham
Cantebr	the towne of cambryge
Hunt	the towne of Huntyngdon
Noꝛff	the cyte of Noꝛwyche
Suff	the towne of ſaynt Edmũdes Bury
Eſſex	the towne of Chelmeſfoꝛde

Hertfr	the towne of Hertford.
Midd	In westmynster.
Kanc	the towne of maydestone.
Sup.	the towne of Gulford
Sussex	the towne of Lewes
Oxon	the towne of Oxenford
Berk	the towne of Redynge
Salop	the towne of Shrewysbury.
Staff.	the towne of Stafford.
Hereford	the cyte of hereford
Glouc	the towne of Glowcestre
wigorn	the cyte of worceter
wilts	the cyte of newe Salesbury
Suth	the cyte of wynchester
Somts	the towne of Ilchestre
Dorß	the towne of Dorchestre
Deuon	the cyte of Excestre
Cornub.	the towne of lustudiel.
London	the same cyte
Bristoll	the same towne
Quinqz portus	the castel of Douerr.
Cuntas Couentre	the same cyte
Suthampton	the same towne
Cuntas Cestre	the same cyte.

For puttynge awaye speres in the porte of Southampton Capitulo quinto

For as moch as the portes hauens ryuers crekes/ and aryuell of shippes within this realme of Englonde and the costes of the same be nowe of late greatly anoyed hurte and decayed and in especial the porte: & hauen of Southampton the which byfore this tyme hath been the grettest hauen/socoure and resceyte as wel for marchaũtes and shippes of this realme of Englond as of Carrikes Galeis and other shippes and marchauntes of other regions and coũtreys there aryuynge and resortyng to the prouffite of oure souereyne lorde the kynge the grete encreace of the marchauntes of this londe & the comon wele and cõforte of all the countree therto adioynynge: the whiche is nowe lately

greatly decayed: and is lyke shortly more to decay by reason and occasion of dyuers & many weares & other engynes for fysshynge there made leuyed fyxed and had bytwene a certeyne place in the sayd hauene called Calshorde: & another place in the sayde hauene called Redbrydge directely. Soo that by reason of the sayde weares & engynes within fewe yeres noo shyp of greate burdon shal mowe come or arryue in the sayd hauen withoute due & hasty remedy be pursued in this behalfe: For remedy whereof: & for the comon wele of this realme of Englonde & encrese of the marchaūtes of the same. The kynge our soueryne lorde by the assente of hys lordes spyritual and temporal and the comons in thys presēt parlyament assembled: and by auctoryte of the same ordeyneth establysheth and enacteth: that it be lawful to euery man to abate plucke and take away all and euery of the sayde weares and engynes and euery of theym at all tymes at their pleasure beynge in the sayde hauen bytwene the sayde places called Calshord & Redbrydge directly withoute trouble lette or veracyon of any man: & that no man lette trouble vexe hurte: or sue the pluckers vp: and takers away of the sayd weares and engynes or ony of theym vpon payne of forfeyture of xl li. of euery of theym that soo letteth troubleth sueth verith or hurteth And that if any persone or persones fro henssurth make leuye fyxe or sette any weares or engynes for fysshynge stone tymbre or erth in the saide hauen directly bytwene the sayde places. thanne he or they that so do shal forfeyte .C. li. the one halfe of eyther of the sayde sommes: to be to the kynge our soueraigne lorde and that other halfe to him or them that wyll sue in that behalfe by accōn of dette playnt or byll: or informacyon in the kynges eschequer. And that the defendaunt in such accion playnt byl or informacōn be nat essoyned nor any protectyon be alowed for hym: nor be admytted to wage hys lawe in that behalfe. And this acte to endure the space of .xi. yere nowe nexte ensuynge.

For packynge and paynge customes of wollen clothes

Capitulo vi.

Here as in the parliamente holden at westmynster the twelfyth yere of the regne of kynge Edwarde the fourthe: late kynge of Englonde amonges other thynges: It was ordeynedde:

eſtabliſſhed and enacted/ that where any wullen clothes were or/ ſhuld be packed in any porte within this reame of Englonde and than to be caryed from thens to any porte within thys realme to be caried ouer the ſee that thanne the ſame clothes ſo to be packed and caryed. Shulde be packed in the preſence of the Cuſtomers and Countrollers of the porte where the ſame clothes ſhuld be ſo packed. And that the cuſtomes and ſubſidees of the ſayd clothes due to the kynge ſhuld be payed and cõtent vnto the Collectours of the cuſtome within the ſame porte as in the ſayde acte playnely appereth: which acte for dyuers & many cauſes and conſideracyons is thought hurtfull and preiudycyall as well vnto the kynge oure ſouereyne lorde as to the marchauntes. And conſideracyon wherof be it ordeyned eſtablyſſhed and enacted by the kynge oure ſouereyne lorde by the aſſent of the lordes ſpirituall and temporal and the comons of this preſent parliament aſſembled and by auctorite of the ſame: that fromhenſforth the cuſtome/ and ſubſydee of alle wullen clothes to be ſhypped and caryed ouer the ſee where ſo ouer they ben packed: ſhall be payed too the Cuſtomers of the porte or portes where any ſuche clothes ſhal be lade or ſhypped or to their deputees. Thys acte. or any other acte here before made to the contrary nat withſtandynge.

For punyſſhment of ryottes. Capitulo vii.

POrayen the comons of this youre londe in this preſent parliament aſſembled/ that where for the greate ſuretee/ reſte peas and tranquilyte of your ſaid comons true lyege mẽ and ſubgettes Inhabyted in this your realme dyuers and many gode ſtatutes actes & ordynaunces haue ben made in tymes paſte ordeyned/ and eſtablyſſhed to ſubdue/ and punyſſh ryotte for the vnlawful reyſynge and iedynge of your pepie ryottes routes and other vnlawful aſſembles wherby many cuyl dedes Jeoperdees perylles fere and drede to your ſubgettes haue growen/ and there vpon great penaltees ſette vpon the ſayde ryottours & offenders as in dyuers remembred ſtatutes/ actes/ and ordynaunces in the dayes of your noble progenitours at ſeuerall tymes made ordeyned & prouyded more at large doth & may appere yet the ſame actes nat withſtandinge ſome perſons nat dredynge god their ſouereyne lorde ne the punyſſhment of the lawes made & had in thys

behalfe: oftymes as wel by colour of ſuch offices as they haue ob teyned: as Receyuours Stuardes and Baillifs of lordſhipes & other offices as by preuy reteynders by othe promyſſe couenaun te and otherwyſe and claymynge alſo dutye of their tenauntes & ſeruauntes where noo ſuche dutye is to goo with theym whanne ſuch aſſemble ryot or route ſhall be And after the ſame dyuers of the ſayde ſeruauntes and perſones oft tymes retret and abſente theym ſilfe by the agrement couyne: and counſeyle of the ſayde mayſters and of the ſayde pryncypall ryottours. Soo that they may nat be taken ne brought to anſwere to the lawe as the lawe require. And if any Indytementes be had/ It ſhall be made vp= on ſuche perſones as ſo retret and abſente them ſilfe and no thyn ge founden ayenſte the ſayde pryncypalles ryottours in diſceyte and frawde of the ſayde goode ſtatutes/ actes/ and ordynaunces/ therof made to the greate courage and boldneſſe: and confort of the ſayde euyl doers mooſt daunger Ieoperdye and peryl of your re ſayde wel diſpoſed ſubgettes. and to the worſte exaumple that therby maye enſue if haſtye remedye therin be nat prouyded. It may therfore pleaſe your hyghneſſe of youre mooſte louynge dy= ſpoſicõn that ye bere and owe to the comon wele of this your lon/ de and to the greate ſuertye of youre ſubgettes of the ſame by the aduyſe of the lordes ſpirituall and temporal & the comons in this preſent parliament aſſembled and by auctorite of the ſame to do ordeyne/ enacte/ and eſtabliſſhe: that whatte ſome euer perſone/ or perſones within this youre realme of what eſtate degre or con= dycion he be that herafter vnlawfully reyle aſſemble or lede your people within youre realme without your commaundement or auctorite of your lawaes and cõmytte any ryotte that thanne if þ party greued or any other perſone in the kynges behalfe cõplayn to the Juſtyces of the peas within the Countee where ſuch ryotte is done or to any of them hauynge auctorite to enquyre of the ſa me where ſuch ryotte and vnlawful aſſemble ſhal be made by byl conteynynge the ryotte and circumſtaunce of the ſame & of what Towne/ Shyre/ Myſtery/ or Condycyon: euery of the perſones ayenſt whome the ſame complaynt be made is dwellinge or elles if the ſayde ryottours be indyted therof: than therupon the ſayd Juſtices and euery of them haue auctorite and power in the next generall Seſſyons of the peas within the ſame Counte to be hol= den after the complaynte ſo to theym made or indytement therof had afore the ſame Juſtice to do make proclamacion that the ſay=

de mayster or mayſters: principall or principalles: leder or leders that vnlawfully cauſe the ſayde people to gadre or ryſe/ that they appere perſonelly at the nert generall Seſſyons of the peas after the ſayd proclamacõn ſo made: and euery other perſone or perſones that were preſent and attendaunt vpon hym or them by hys/ or ther cõmaundement procuringe or aſſent conteyned in the ſaid proclamacion at the ſayd ryotte route and aſſemble and euery of them perſonelly to appere at the ſayd next Seſſions of the peas nert after the ſayde proclamacyon to be holden wythin the ſayde Countye. At which day if the ſayd mayſter or mayſters principall or principalles leder or leders or any other of the forſayde offenders appere: thanne he or they be put to anſwere therunto if it ſeme the ſayd Juſtices reſonable and be put to ſufficient bayll by reconyſaũce before the ſayd Juſtices to appere perſonelly fro ſeſſions to Seſſions vnto the tyme that the complaynt be byſcuſſed And if he or they refuſe ſo to do: thanne he or they be commytted to warde there to remayne tyl they wyll. ¶ And if any of the perſones ayenſt whome ſuch cõplaynte or endytement is had or made dwelle in any other Countie than in the ſame Countye where ſuch ryotte route and aſſemble is made. That thanne the Juſtyces to or afore whom the ſame complaynt or endytemẽt is had or made: do ſende a trãſcrypt of the ſame complaynt or enditement to ſome Juſtices of the peas in the Countie where ſuch perſone is dwellynge deſirynge hym to cauſe proclamacõn to be made i the next general Seſſions of the peas in that cõũtie to be holden that the ſame perſone or perſones appere at the next generall ſeſſyons of the peas in the ſhyre where the ſayde ryotte is done nexte after the ſame proclamacion to be holden. And if the ſame perſone or perſones dwellynge in a foreyne ſhyre appere. than lyke ordre to be had for hym or theym ſo apperynge as is afore ſpecified for and to them that ben dwellynge in the ſayd Shyre where the ſayd ryotte is ſuppoſed to be done or made. And if the ſame perſone or perſones or any of them ayenſt whome ſuch proclamacion is made in the Countye where the ſayde ryotte is ſuppoſed to be done & they be dwellynge at the tyme of the ſame proclamacion makige in the ſame Countye make defaute & appere nat atte ſayd generall Seſſions to him or them ſymmytted in the ſayd proclamacyon and eftſones after that make defaute and appere nat at the nexte general Seſſions after that So that lyke proclamacyon be made as is aforeſaide And if any of the ſaid ryottours ayenſt whom

proclamacõn is made in a foreyne shyre where they be dwellyng make defawte at the day and place in the sayde proclamacyon to them lymytted thanne he or they in whether of the sayd Shyres they dwell that so make defaute to stande and be adiuged and cõ uycte vpon the same defautes of the sayde ryotte and vnlawfulle assemble if he or they were therof conuycte by the due ordre of the lawe without he or they can make such lawfull excuse as the sayd Justices shal thynke resonable by their discrecion And therupon such processe to be awarded ayenst theym as is accustomed vpon condempnacyons of trespasse in youre comon Benche at the sute of the partye. And that the sayd Justyces of the peas haue auc= toryte & power to here and determyne the reherced causes as wel vpon byl before them as by indytementes and vpon the same bil or indytemẽtes to procede and determyne the same by enquestes ac cordynge to the cours of the comon lawe. And the partie therby & therupon to stande conuicte as parfytly as if they were therupon conuycte by due processe of the lawe. And if the sayde mayster or maysters principall or principalles leder exleders or any other afore rehersed offender be cõuicte vpon the premisses thanne he or they be cõmitted to prison there to remayne and abyde wythoute bayll or maynprise by such tyme and space as shal be thought re= sonable by the discrecon of the sayde Justices. And than or he or they departe oute of prison to pay their fyne sessed after the disc= cyon of the sayde Justices his or their haueours and offences con sydered. And that it be enacted by the sayd auctoryte that by the discrecion of the sayd Justices & as they se nede cuery of the sayde maister or maisters principal or principalles leder or leders & other the sayde offenders so conuycte be bounde to the kynges peas fro thensforth in such sõme or sõmes of money as shall be consydred by the sayd Justices. And the sayd suertie to stande by the discre cyon of the sayd Justices And it it be so that the sayde ryotte and vnlawful assemble be cõmytted with the noumbre of xl persones or aboue or with lesse noumbre than xl and that by the discrecion of the sayde Justices it be thought haynous that than if the sayd mayster or maysters pryncipall or principalles leder or leders: þ haue appered and so therof be conuycte that than they remayne in prison vnto the tyme that they haue founde sufficyent suertye to appere afore the kynge and his counseyle at a certen day by the sayd Justyces to be lymytted at the which day or afore the keper of the gaol rolles of the sayde recordes shalle do to be sente vndre

his seale the said hole recoꝛd of the cõuicõn to the kinge our soue-
reyne loꝛde and his Counsel to thentent that his highnes and his
Counsel may awarde such emprisonemente and fynes of the say-
de mayster oꝛ maysters pꝛyncipall oꝛ pꝛincipalles/ leder oꝛ leders:
as by his hignes and by his sayde Counsel shalle be thought con-
uenyent. And if the party compleynaunte as is afoꝛsayd cannat
pꝛoue the mater of his sayd bylle to be true: thanne he to paye re-
sonable costes & damage of the partye vexed as shal be thoughte
resonable by the discrecõn of the same Justices and they to make
ayenst the same cõpleynante nat pꝛouynge the mater of hys say-
de byll to be true: such pꝛocesse ayenst hym foꝛ the sayd costes and
damages as is afoꝛe sympted ayenst the sayd ryottours conuyct
of the sayde ryotte foꝛ the payment of ther sayd fynes· And if the
said complaynaunte oꝛ complaynantes haue nat sufficient wher
of to restoꝛe the partye and partyes soo vexed oꝛ troubled in four-
me afoꝛesayde that thanne he ymmediatly be cõmytted to the co-
mon gaole by the sayde Justyces there to remayne the space and
tyme as shal be thought by the sayd Justices conuenient and re-
sonable. And ꝓ this acte endure but vnto the nexte parliamente.

Foꝛ punyshmẽt of vsurers Capitulo viii.

Forayen the comons in this pꝛesent parlyament assembled
that where in the parlyamente holden at westmynstre the
thyrde yere of youre mooste noble reygne it was enacted
oꝛdeyned and stablysshed that of foꝛ and vpon bargeynes groun-
ded in vsury coloꝛed by the meanes of newe cheuesaunce oꝛ escha-
unge contrary to the lawe of natural Justice to the greate disple-
asure of god and of oure sayde souereyne loꝛde & the comon hurte
of this his realme: that certeyne punyshmẽtes & penalteꝛs shul-
de renne vpon the offenders in that behalfe as in the sayd act mo
re at large is conteyned which acte was/ and is soo obscure derke
and defuse that the true entente of the makers therof can nat per-
fitly be vnderstande. wheꝛfoꝛe and foꝛ the playne explanacyon
& declaracõn of vsury and of penalteꝛs to be herafter executed vp
on thoffenders in the same The kinge our souereyn loꝛd by thassẽt
& aduyce of the loꝛdes spiritual & tempoꝛall & the comons in thys
present parliament assembled/ and by the auctoꝛyte of the same
oꝛdeyneth enacteth and establisshyth/ that al maner of persone oꝛ

persones lenynge money to and for a tyme takynge for the same
lone any thynge more besydes/ or aboue the money lent by waye
of cõtracte of couenaũt at the tyme of the same lone sauynge law
ful penaltees for nounpayment of the same money lente and that
all maner of persone and persones whych herafter sell any godes
catelles/ or marchaundyses to any persone/ or persones beynge in
necessyte. and the seller him silf or by his broker or factour in that
behalfe ageyne bye the same godes catelles or marchaundyses of
the same persone to whom they were solde: beynge in necessite of
his broker or factoure in that behalfe within thre monethes after
they ben solde for a lesse sõme of moneye than they were solde for
knowynge the same goodes soo boughte ayen: afore by the same
byer or byers to be solde after the fourme aforesayd And that eue
ry persone & ꝑsones lenynge or takynge any money to any perso
ne or persones to a certeyne tyme and taketh londes tenementes/
or any heredytamentes or other bondes for suertye parfyte & su-
re repayment of his or their money lent at the tyme assygned wy/
thoute condycion or auenture and also at the tyme of the same lo
ne or takynge of the said money couenaunteth appoynteth or cõ-
tracteth couenaunten appoynten or cõtracten that he or they ꝑso
lene or take money: shal haue the reuenues & profytes of the lan-
des tenementes or hereditamentes of hym that so boroweth or ta
keth money by a certeyne tyme that thanne euery persone heraf
ter vpon any of the premysses cõuicted: forfeyte the money of the
value in money of the sayde money goodes catelles marchaun-
dyses as is aboue sayd so solde or lent after such valuy as they be
sold or lent for after any fourme aforesayd wherof the kynge shal
haue the one moyte of the same forfeyture and the party that wil
sue the other moyte. And if no man wylle sue: thanne the kynge
haue the hole And this sute for the said penaltie and forfeyture to
be aswel at the kynges sute as any other that wyl sue by informa
cion in any of the kynges Courtes of recorde/ and suche proces to
be had in the same as is vsed in other accions of dette at the comõ
lawe in the same courtes. ¶ Prouyded alwey that in the Cour-
tes of Chauncery and Eschequer they shal make such processe as
hath be vsed afore tyme in informacyons afore theym cõmenced
wherin the defendaunt shal nat wage his lawenor protectyon ne
essoyne de seruice le roy in the same alowable/ And that the same
acte and ordynaunce made the sayde thyrde yere & all thynge the
rein conteyned be from henlforth vtterly voyde & of none effecte:

Reseruynge alwey to spirituall Jurisdiccion their lawful punys-
shmentes in euery cause of Usury.

An acte concernynge thin habitantes of North and south Tyndale Capitulo ix

FOr as moch as thinhabitātes & dwellers within the lord-
ship & boundes of North Tyndale and South Tyndale
nat only in their owne persones: but also often tymes ac
companyed & cōfedred with Scotes auncient enmyes to thys rea-
alme: haue at many seasons in tymes past cōmytted & done and
yet dayly & nyghtly cōmytte & do great & haynous murders tre-
asons robbries felonyes depredacōns ryottes & other greate tres-
paces vnto the kynge our souereyn lordis true & feythful liege pe-
ple & subgettes inhabitours & dwellers within the shyre of north-
umbrelond Cumbrelonde westmerlond Eramshyre the Bisshop
ryche of Durham & in a parte of yorkshyre whyche treason mur-
ders robbryes felonyes & other the pmisses haue nat in tyme past
in any maner of fourme be punyshed after thordre & cours of the
comon laye by reson of such fraunchises as was vsed within the
same while it was in the possession of any other lord or lordes thā
our souereyn lordis & this for lacke of punisshment of the sayd tre
ason murders robbries felonyes & other the pmysses the kynges
true & feithful liege peple & subgettes inhabiters & dwellers wyth
in shyres & places before rehersed can nat be in any maner of su-
ertie of their bodies or godes nother yet lye in theyr owne howses
but either to be murdred or taken or caried into Scotlonde & thet
raunsonned to their great distrucōn of body & godes & vtter em-
pouerisshynge for euer on lesse due & hasty remedy be had & fond
in the pmisses In cōsideracōn wherof the king our said souereyn
lorde for very zele & gracious fauour þ he bereth to the comon we
le of this his realme nat wyllynge his true & feythful liege peple &
subgettes to faile of remedy in the pmisses hath ordeyned establis
shed & enactected by thassent of his lordes spirituall & temporall &
the comons of the same his realme in this plent parliament assē-
bled and by thauctorite of the same that the sayde lordshyp & bo-
undes of north & South Tyndale nowe beynge in hys handes &
all londes & tenemētes within the same in whose possession so euer
they be and euery parte therof stande & be fro henseforth gyldable

and parte of the shyre of Northumbrelonde afore said and no fra unchyse ne fraunchised: but that all maner of the kinges wryttes shall renne & all his officers as wel the wardeyne or wardeynes of the Est and mydel Marches of Englonde towardes Scotlonde theyr lyeutenaunte or lyeutenauntes the Justices of peas Shyrek Eschetoure Coroners Baillies and other offycers and ther deputees and euery of theym of and within the Countye of Northumbrelonde aforesayde: and al theyr warrauntes and preceptes shal be obeyed and of grete auctorite in the lawe by reason of this acte within the sayd lordshyp and boundes of North and Southe Tyndale and i euery parte therof as in any other party of the sayd Shyre of Northumbrelonde. and ouer thys that no persone or persones of what estate degre or condycyon he or they been of that nowe hath or that hereafter shal haue auctorite: or power in his or their owne ryght or any other mannes to dymytte or lete to ferme for yere or yeres terme of lyfe or at wyll any landes or tenementes within the lordship and boundes of North and Southe Tyndale aforesayde. lete or dymytte to ferme for yere or yeres terme of lyfe or at wyll any londes or tenementes within the sayde lordshyp and boundes aforesayde. But that the lesse or lesses before or they take or occupy by force of any such leas any such landes and tenementes. Fynde goode and suffycyent suertye at the leest two persones hauynge landes and tenemētes within the sayde Shyre of Northumbrelonde nat beynge within the sayde lordshyppe and boundes of North and Southe Tyndale to the ful yerely value of fourty shelynges ouer and abouc alle manere charges and reprises: by reconysaunce to the Kynge oure souereygne lorde in xx li. before two at the leest of the Justyces of the peas of the sayde Shyre of Northumbrelonde for the tyme beynge wherof one shall be of the Quor vppon thys condycyon that if the sayde lesse or lesses wythin eyght dayes waynynge to theym or any of them personally: or openly at hys or theyr owne house or in his or theyr paryshchurche yeuen by any of the sayde Justyces of the peas. the Shyref of the sayd Countye of Northumbrelonde & warden of the Est and myddell Marches for ayenste Scotland or his lieutenaūte psonally appere nat before the same Justices of the peas warden or lieutenaūt at any session or sessiōs gaole delyuere warden court at such place & day within the sayde shire of northumbreland or day or dayes of trues where soeuer it shal fortune them to be assygned & as they or any of them shall be

therunto as before is rehersed warned: there and thanne to answere alle suche treasons/ felonyes murdres/ and trespaces/ or attemptates contrary to the trues fromhensforth by theym or any of theym to be done: that thanne the sayde somme of xx li. shalle be forfeyte. the one halfe therof to the kynge our soueregne lorde: and the other halfe to hym or theym that wyll sue therfore ye kynge therof to the Justices: before whome the reconysaunce is: or shalle be taken after thexecucyon therof be hadde of hys sayde parte so recouered xl. shelynges. And that the sayde Justices of peas afore whome the sayde reconysaunce is/ or shallbe taken as before is rehersed: and alle other Justyces of the peas wythin the sayde Shyre of Northumberlonde for the tyme beynge shall by reason of thys sayde acte haue fulle auctorite to enquyre therof: and to take presentmentes & informacons therupon and to awarde proces and execucon of & for the same some vpon any presentement or informacyon made theron in lyke & as ample fourme as the kynges Justices of this Benche shal or may do of: or for any reconysaunce taken afore theym forfeyted for the keppynge of the kynges peas. ¶ And if any persone or psones after the fest of Ester next comynge take vpon hym or them to lette or dymynysshe as before is rehersed any landes or tenemētes within the sayd lordship or boundes of North and South Tyndale where no suche suerte is before had and founde as before is rehersed: that þ persone and persones that so letted or dymynysshen shall by this same acte for euery acre of grounde and euery mese and mansion or dwellinge place within the sayd lordshyppe and boūdes aforesayde by hym or theym so letten or dimynysshe forfeyte xl shelynges: the one halfe to the kynge and the other to hym or theym that wyll sue therfore. And that the Justice of the peas of the sayde Shyre of Northumberlonde for the tyme beynge: shall haue lyke auctorite in al thinges concernynge this forfeyture as by thys acte & ordynaunce is gyuen to them in the reconysaunce afore expressed. & þ all maner of leasses dimissions made or to be made of any landes or tenementes within the sayde lordshyppe and boundes of North & South Tyndale for the whiche no suche suerte shalle be had and founde at the sayde feest of Ester: and soo forth as to fore is rehersed be and stonde from thens forthwarde voyde & of none effecte And if any persone or persones of what estate degre or condycion he or they be of take vpon him or them after the sayde feest of ester to entre occupie dwell holde or inhabite any landes tenetes or grounde

within the sayde lordeship and boundes of North and south Tyn dale nat beynge his owne inherytaunce in fe symple or in fe taille without lawful or sufficyent auctorite & sufficyent suertie by him or them founde as before is rehersed excepte he be a lorde spirituall or temporal of this realme. that he & they so doynge haue imprisonemente by the space of a yere withoute bayll or maynprise and so to cõtynue tyl he haue founde sufficyent suertye to the kynge by reconysaunce afore the Justices of peas of the sayde Coũtee to be of gode berynge ayenst the kynge and al his lyege people.

For leuyenge of the arrerages of the Benyuolence last graunted Capitulo x.

Rayen the comons in this present parliament assembled p that where dyuerse: and many of youre subgettes seuerally graunted to youre highnesse diuerse sommes of money of their fre wylles and benyuolence for the defence of this youre Realme towardes the charge/ and greate expensys that youre highnes susteyned and bare for the sayde defence as wel in your sayd vyage royall in the partyes of Fraunce beyonde the see/ as on thys syde in for and aboute the same: whyche vyage youre sayde highnesse toke vpon you in your moste royal persone to the great Jeoperdye and laboure of the same as wel for the sayde defence of this your sayde realme as for the suertye profyte wele and cõmodyte of vs al your true liege men & subgettes inhabyted in the same: of whyche sommes of money dyuers youre sayde subgettes Inhabyted in the same of whiche sommes of money diuerse youre sayde subgettes full louyngly haue made to you true payment accordynge vnto their grauntes/ and other many seuerall sommes of money by dyuers youre subgettes to you in ꝑ partie grauted as yet remayne nat contente/ ne payde: parte wherof reste in the handes of the sayd grauntours & parte in the hãdes of the Cõmyssioners collectours & receyuours in ꝑ parte assigned for the leuye rerynge & keppynge of the same which is nat only to the damage losse and hurte of your sayd highnes but also to the murmure grudge & myscontentynge of such your sayde subgettes as haue made theyr sayde paymentes in ꝑ behalfe wherfore may it please youre sayde hyghnesse by thaduyse and assent of your lordes spiritual & temporal & the comons in this presen parlyament assem

bled and by auctorite of the same to ordeyne enacte and establissh that proclamacion be made in euery shyre towne & hundred with in this your realme that euery person & persones which haue nat content and payde the sōmes of money by them graūted to your highnesse for the cause remembred: that such Cōmissioners Collectours Receyuours & other psones deputed to receyue the same that they do make payment therof within thre monethes next after the sayd proclamacions made to the sayd cōmyssioners collectours Receyuours or other persones that herafter shalbe therunto deputed or assygned by your highnes by your letters patentes vnder your great seale in lyke wyse to be proclamed. and that the sayde cōmyssioners haue auctorite and power to make proces to take euery such persone or persones as soo shall make defaute of payment by his body and the same to cōmyt to the comon gaole there to remayne and abyde withoute bayl or maynepryse to the tyme he hath payed his sayd duties or ellis fynde sufficient suerte for the payment of the same to the sayd cōmyssioners aggreable. And if any such persone that hath nat made payment of his sayde dutye graūted be deceassed: that than the godes and catelles of hym be ressed beynge in the handes of his executours or admynyst tratours nat admyttred be charged and chargeable to the said payment. And that the sayd Commyssioners haue like auctorite and power to doo ordeyne and awarde procesle thy the leuye of the same as the Barons of the kynges Eschequer doo and may doo for the kynges dutyes restynge afore theym of record in the sayde Eschequer. And the sayde Commyssioners Collectours or Receyuours afore this tyme therūto deputed or that herafter for and to the same shalle be deputed hauynge and takynge the receyte of the same youre money: or any parcel therof: be seuerally coūtable for the porcions by them seuerally receyued before your Tresorer of your werres that was by you assigned in your sayde viage royall or any other persone or persones yt herafter by your highnes shal be therunto deputed and assygned of and for all suche sommes of money as they seuerally haue receyued or shall receyue or that seuerally shal come to their handes before such Auditours as by your highnes shalbe assygned in that partye. And if any of the sayd Cōmyssioners collectours or receyuours come nat to make their accomptes atte such day and place as shalle be lymytted in youre pryue Seale to theym directed in that partye

that than vpon Certifycate of the delyuere of the sayd writtes or pryue seales made by him that the same delyuered vpon his othe vpon the Chaūceller of Englonde for the tyme beynge. the sayde Chauncellor for the same tyme beynge haue auctorite & power to make cōmyssions vndre youre greate seale to certeyne persones by his discrecōn to be lymytted & chosen to take the bodyes of the sayde persones that so shal make defawte and theym cōmytte to warde on lesse than he make before the sayde Tresorer or Commyssioners suche excuse as to theym shall seme resonable there to remayne tyll they haue made their accomptes of and for the premysses and satisfyed content and payde the dutye by theym due vpon their sayd accomptes vnto your sayd Tresorer of your warres or to such other persone or persones to your vse as your grace shal depute and assygne in that partye to receyue the same. And ouer this be it enacted by the sayde auctorite: þ if any trauers fortune to be betwene the said Cōmissioners afore this tyme assigned to receyue the kynges sayd duties Collectours & the sayd graūtours of & for payngē & nat payne receyuynge or nat receyuyng of the saide sōme or sōmes of money or any parte therof þ than if the sayd graūtours shewe acquitaūce writinges billes or billettes wherby it may appere afore the cōmyssioners herafter to be assygned the said cōmissioners or collectours afore this tyme assygned fourme rehersed haue receyued the sōme or sōmes of money or any part therof þ shal be i trauers or þ the said graūtours offre to bringe two wytnesses or mo þ wyll witnes & testifye the said payment or that any graūtour or graūtours denye the graunte of any such sōme or sōmes of money or any parte therof of them demaunded þ therupon the sayd Cōmyssioners herafter to be assigned haue auctorite & power to here the hole mater euydence wrytynges witnesse & proues cōcernynge the sayd trauers & denyeng of the sayd graūtes & than to charge & discharge euery of the sayd persones by ther discrecōns as they shal seme best & the same charge or discharge to bynd & discharge euery of the sayd parties ayenste the kynges highnes as if it were adiuged before the auditours assigned by due ordynal in any of the kynges courtes of recorde betwene party & party in accōn of accōptes or elles þ the kinge were playntyf in the sayde accyon of accompte. ¶ Be it also ordeyned by the sayd auctorite that the sayd Commyssioners herafter to be assigned by the kynges hyghnesse shal by theyr discrecyon vppon theyr accompte and fulle payemente made of alle sommes

of money by them receyued or to be receyued by any Collectours or receyuours of the sayd sõmes of benyuolence shal by their dyscrecyons alowe vnto the sayd Receyuours and Collectours such their resonable costes & rewardes as they for the gaderinge of the sayd sũmes haue susteyned. Prouyded alwey that this acte shal nat extende to charge any heire of any man that hath afore tyme graunted any sõme of money by way of his benyuolence.

An acte concernynge takynge of apprentyses in the cyte of Norwyche capitulo xi

Prayen the comons in this present parliament assembled/ that where the Cyte of Norwyche whiche is an auncyent Cyte: is greatly decayed: the especyall cause wherof is for asmoch as there is a statute made at westmynster the seuenth yere of the reygne of kynge henry the fourth contrynynge amonge other thynges that noo man nor woman shalle putte their sonne or doughter to be apprentise within any Cyte or town within the realme but if they haue landes or tẽtes to the value of xx s. at the lest by the yere: and that to be tryed vndre the seales of two Justyces of the peas where the sayd chylde was borne by force of which statute many and dyuers great vexacyons troubles & losses haue be done to the Cytezyns of the sayd Cyte as wel for the receyuynge of their owne chyldren as other to be their apprentyses whereby the moost substancyal craft in the sayd cyte called worstedewcuers and clothyers: by whyche craftes the wele of the sayde Cyte hath and shulde be mayntened supported and contynued amonge other dyuers craftes there vsed ben greatly decayed by reason wherof the yonge peple of the sayd Cyte ben gyuen to vycyousnesse vyces and other dyuers mysgouernaunces And if no remedy herin be had it is lyke to be the vtter distruction of the sayd Cyte. wherfore pleas it your highnesse of your moost benygne grace in consideracyon of the premysses by thassent of the lordes spuall and temporal and the comons in this present parlyament assembled and by auctorite of the same to enacte ordeyne and establissh that the sayd Cytezyns and euery of theym for euer from henssorth shall be at their libertees to receyue and to take to their apprentyses the sonne or doughter of any persone or persones whyche wyl putte their sayd sonnes or doughters to be apprentises in the said

Cyte the ſtatute afozſayde and the paynes in the ſame conteyned nat withſtandynge. And þ they and euery of them fozeuer from henſfozth ſhal be fozpriſed and except out of euery punyſſhmente and hurte conteyned in the ſayde ſtatute. ¶ Mozeouer where in the ſayd cyte in tyme paſte hath of longe tyme be vſed þ ther ſhuld be noo man take vpon him to ſhere wozſtedes called ten yerdys: Stamyns ne any other worſtedes: but if he had be apprentyſe to thoccupacõn of ſherynge of wozſtedes by the ſpace of vii yeres ſo that he myghte haue the knowlege and cunnynge in that crafte: howe be it nowe of late many þ dyuers perſones aſwel aliens ſtra ungers as other fozeyns nat dwellynge noz inhabyted haue with in your ſayd cyte by ſuppoztacõn and mayntenaũce of dyuer perſones inhabitauntes in the ſayd Cite foz their ſinguler lucre take vppon theym thoccaſyon of ſherynge of wozſtedes and ſtamyns which haue nat the ſight noz cunnynge in that occupacyon noz haue be apprentyſe to the ſame by whome greate hurtes & dyuerſe loſſes haue be foz the defaute of cunnynge by cuttynge and other wiſe of the ſayd wozſtedes to the owner and other your ſubgettes in this your reame infamy alſo & ſclaũdre aſwel to thoccupacõns of wozſtedes and wozſted ſhermen as to the marchauntes whych put theym ſo hurte and cutte in the ſherynge to ſale. And if redy remedy be nat had in theſe pzemyſſed and reformacyon bothe the ſayd occupacõn of wozſtede makinge and alſo of wozſted ſhering which god fozbede is lykely to be deſtroyed foz lacke of goode pozlecie and ozdre wherfoze it may pleaſe your hyghnes by thauctoryte afozſayde foz the comon wele of youre marchauntes & other youre ſubgettes of this your realme and foz the cõſeruacõn & ſuſtenynge of the ſayd occupacõn of wozſtedes & wozſtede ſherynge to enacte ozdeyne and eſtablyſſh: that from henſfozthe noo man ſhal take vpon hym to ſhere wozſtedes within the ſayd cyte but if he hath be apprentiſe to the ſayde occupacion of wozſted ſherynge by the ſpace of vii yere: oz ſuche as the mayſters of the ſayd occupacyon within the ſayde Cyte foz the tyme beynge appzouing their cunnynge wyth the aduyſe of the Mayre foz the tyme beynge wylle admytte. And they that take vpon theym the conſtrayre & the mayntenours of hym oz them ſo myſdoinge as afoze is ſayde eche of theym to fozfeyte foz euery defaute xx ſhelynges halfe too you gracious and ſouereyne lozde and halfe to the ſayde mayre and mayſter of the ſayd occupacyon of wozſted ſherynge foz that

tyme beynge And ꝑ no man inhabitaũt in the sayde cyte citezens or other beinge no sherman kepe any sherman of worstedes with in his hous after the fest of ester next comynge vnder the payne of xl s. as oft as he be in defaut in the same thone half to be employed to you oure souereyne lorde ⁊ thother halfe to the sayde mayre ⁊ maysters of the sayd occupacõn of sheringe of worstedes And ꝑ the sayde maysters of the sayd occupacõn of sherynge of worsted haue fre serche of the sayd crafte of worstede sheringe in euery place aswel withi the dwellinge places of shermẽ diers ⁊ calenderers of the same worstedes ⁊ other inhabitaũtes in the sayd cyte ⁊ precincte of the same and if any cytezen or inhabytaũt of the sayd cyte denye the sayd wardens of worsted sherynge due serch or do cõtrary to this prouision ⁊ ordynaũce shal forfeyte the sõme of xl s. for euery defaut the moyte therof to you souereyn lorde ⁊ thother moyte to the forsayd marye ⁊ mayster of the sayd occupacõn. the sayde paynes to be leuyed after fourme and ordynaũce purueied for the correction of the craft ⁊ occupacõn of worsted weuers with in the sayde cyte ¶ Prouyded alwey ꝑ the sayd occupacõn of worsted sherynge shal make or do to be made none ordynaunce cõcernynge the sayd occupacõn amonge themsilf but such as the mayre for the tyme beyng with his brethern Aldermen shal thynke necessary ⁊ proufytable to the wele of the kinges subgettes.

For writtes to be gyuen and lerned counsel to be assyned to the pore people withoute paynge any money therfore Capitulo. xii

PRayen the comons in this present parlyament assembled ꝑ where the kynge our souereyne lorde of his most gracyous disposicõn willeth ⁊ intendeth indyfferent Justyce to be had ⁊ mynystred accordynge to his comon lawes to al his true subgettes aswel to poore as ryche which pore subgettes be nat of abylite ne power to sue acordynge to the lawes of hys londe. For the reders of Iniuries ⁊ wronges to them dayly done aswel concernynge their persones their Inheritaũce as other causes For remedy wherof in the behalfe of the pore persones of thys lande nat able to sue for ther remedy after the cours of the comon lawe. Be it ordeyned ⁊ enacted by your hihgnes and by the lordes spiritual

and tempoz al and the comons in this preſent parlyament aſſem/bled & by auctoꝛyte of the ſame þ euery pooꝛe perſone oꝛ perſones which haue & herafter ſhal haue cauſe of accõn oꝛ accõns ayenſte any perſone oꝛ perſones within this realme ſhal haue by the dyſcrecõn of the Chauncellier of this realme foꝛ the tyme beynge writ oꝛ writtes oꝛyginal & writtes of the ſub pena accoꝛdinge to the nature of theyr cauſes therfoꝛe no thynge payenge to your highnes foꝛ the ſeales of the ſame noꝛ to any pſone foꝛ the wrytynge of the ſame writte oꝛ wrytces to be herafter ſued And þ the ſayd Chauncelier foꝛ the ſame tyme beinge ſhal aſſigne ſuch of the clerkes whi che ſhal do & vſe the makynge & wrytynge of the ſame writtes to wryte the ſame redy to be ſealed. And alſo lerned counſell & attoꝛneys foꝛ the ſame without any rewarde takynge therfoꝛe and after the ſayde writte oꝛ wryttes be retourned if it be afoꝛe the kynge in his benche: the Juſtices there ſhal aſſygne to the ſame pooꝛe perſone oꝛ perſones counſell lerned by their diſcrecõns which ſhal gyue their counſelles no thynge takynge foꝛ the ſame and in lyke wyſe the ſame Juſtices ſhall appoynte attoꝛney & attourneys foꝛ the ſame poꝛe perſone & pſones & all other officers requyſite/ and neceſſary to be had foꝛ the ſpede of the ſayd ſutes to be had & made which ſhall do their dutyes wythoute any rewardes foꝛ theyre counſellys helpe & beſyneſſe in the ſame: & the ſame lawe: & oꝛdre ſhall be obſerued and kepte of all ſuche ſutes to be made afoꝛe the kiges Juſtices of his comon place & barons of his eſchequer. and al other Juſtices in courtes of recoꝛde where any ſuch ſutes ſhalbe

That hoꝛſes ſhal nat be cõueyed oute of this lande without the kinges lyc̃ece ne mares ouer the price of vi ſhelynges viii pence. Capitulo xiii

HOꝛ aſmoche as many hoꝛſes & mares of the brede of thys londe nowe of late haue be caryed & conueied out of the ſame into the partyes of beyonde the ſee whiche cauſeth nat only the ſmaller nombꝛe of gode hoꝛſes to be within thys realme foꝛ the defence therof but alſo the greate and goode plentee of the ſame to be in the ſayde partyes of beyonde the ſee: that in tymes paſte were wonte to be within this lande: and ouer that the pryce of euery of theym to be greatly enhaunced here to the loſſe & noy-

aunce of all the kynges subgettes wythin the same. For remedye wherof be it ordeyned enacted and establissched by the kynge oure souereyne lorde by aduyse of his lordes spirituall and temporall and the comons in this present parliament assembled & by auctorite of the same that from henssorth no maner of persone ne persones cary or conuey anye horse oute of thys londe wythoute the kynges special lycence vpon payne of forfeyture of the same. Or any mare aboue the value of vi shelynges viii pens wythoute the kinges specyalle lycence vpon the sayde payne of forfeyture of the same mare. the owner therof: or hys depute receyuynge for the same mare vi shelinges viii pence at the tyme of the sealyre vpon the sayd forfeyture or elis it to be nat forfeyte: and at the tyme of sealure of the sayde mare or mares they shalle be pryced by the hede officers of the towne where any such mare is taken: and there openly to be solde to the best pryce: & the halfdele of the ouer pryce of her beynge aboue vi. shelynges eyght pence to be to the kynge: and the other halfe too hym that soo seyseth and the kynges parte therof to be dilyuered to the custumer of the saide porte And þ no maner pson ne persones herafter carye or conueye any mare or mares out of this lande except euery of the sayd marys so caryed be of the age of thre yeres at the leest and nat ouer the pryce of vi shyllynges viii pence payng to the kynge for euery of them nat aboue the value of vi shyllynges viii pence so to be caryed: or conueyed in the same porte such custumes as hath been for mares before vsed. And þ for euery mare of more value herafter by the kinges lycence after the fourme aforesayde conueyed: or caryed beyonde the see the owner therof or his deputie assigne or seruaunte shal pay vi shelynges viii d. for the custume of the same before it be shypped vndre the payne of forfeyture of euery mare soo shyppedd or they be custumed. And ouer that be it enacted: that if any persone at the porte will gyue for any of the marys so to be caryed viii shyllynges: that it be lefulle to hym so gyuynge: and payng the sayd seuene shyllynges to take the sayd mare if she be nat afore taken by the kynges officer: nor the kynges lycence be nat in the behalfe aforesayde for the same mare to be caryed obteyned. Prouyded alwey that it shal be lefull to euery persone or persones beynge Deyneyens hereafter to carye horse beyonde the see the kynges licence in þ behalfe nat obteyned for theyr owne vse nat intendinge at the tyme of the shyppynge of the same nor then

fully purposed to selle hym and that entente to be knowen by the othe of hym þ shall do ship the same horse taken before the Custu/mer or Serchet of the same porte this acte nat withstandynge.

That straungers made denyzens shall pay custume and subsidyes as straungers Capitulo xiiii

Where the kynge oure soucreygne lorde is gretly disceyued in his custumes and subsidies by mar chauntes straungers such as the kynge oure so/uereygne lorde hath graunted by his letters pa/tentes to be denyzyns and to paye noone other custumes ne subsydees for ther marchaundyse inwarde & outwar de but as a denyzyn: vndre colour wherof they custume nat alle only their owne marchaundyse vndre the fourme aforsayde but also colorably entre into the custumers boke marchaundise of o/ther straũgers callige & sayenge the sayd godes of other marchaũ tes to be the godes of them so made denyzens to the greate losse/ & defraude to the kynge oure soucreyne lorde wherfore be it enac/ted by the kynge oure soucreyne lorde the lordes spirituall & tem/poral & the comõs in this present parlyament assemble & by auc/torite of the same þ al marchaũtes straũgers & other þ be made de/nesyns by the kynges letters patentes or otherwyse pay from hẽ/forth suche customes & subsidies for their godes & marchaũdyse i/warde & outwarde as they shulde haue payed if such letters patẽ/tes and grauntes had neuer to them be made

Ayenst vntrue demeanynge of Shireis and their officers in holdynge their Counties Capitulo xv.

Where as great extorcion is yerely vsed & had wythin dy/uers Couties within this realme of Englonde by the sub tilte & vntrue demeanoure of shyreis vndre shireis Shy re clerkes or any other officers holdynge or keppynge the counties in the name of a Shirek: þ is to say if any man afferme a playnte before the shireis in the Counties: the sayd shyreis vnder shireis or his shyre clerke or before any other of the sayd officers wyl en/tre or cause to be entred into their bokes in the same playntyis na me dyuers & many playntes both of dette/ trespace/ & coucnaũte

at their pleſure and vnknowynge to the ſayd playntyfe in whoſe name the ſaydc playntes ben affermed to thentent that if the defendant appere nat at euery ſhire day or court hangige the ſame playnte he ſhal leſe for his defaute made at euery playnte iiii. pence where dyuers tymes by couyne bytwene the ſayd Shyrefs vnderſhyrefs ſhyre clerkes & the other forſayd officers the ſayd defendauntes beynge neuer attached ſũmoned nor warned accordynge to the due fourme of the comon lawe: wherfore the ſame partyes ſo put in ſute haue no knowlege of any ſuch ſute had ageyn them & ouer þ the ſame ſhirefs vnderſhyrefs ſhire clerkes wyl cauſe dyuers playntes to be taken in the names of ſuch perſones þ are nat in playne lyfe where the ſayd defendaũt ſhal haue lyke loſſe as is before reherced So that by the vnlawful demeanour of the ſayd Shirefs vnderſhirefs ſhire clerkes for the tyme beynge & the baſſliefs of the hundredes by their defaute & negligence in theyr offyces & couyne bytwene the ſayd ſhirefs vnderſhyrefs ſhyre clerkes and other of the forſayd officers cauſeth the amerciamentes to be in any yere after the boke be ingrocd to amounte to greate & vnſportunable ſõmes of money which ſõmes of mõney ben yerly leuyed of the poore comons in the ſayd countyes by the ſhyrefs vnderſhirefs & ſhire clerkes & other deputies beynge of no ſubſtaunce neyther of haucour. whiche deputies taketh & leuyeth more by extorcion than is conteyned in their eſtrettes to the exyeſſe pyllage and empouerſſhynge of the ſayd comons. ¶ Be it therfore enacted ordeyned and eſtabliſſhed by the kinge our ſouereyn lorde/ & by thaſſent of the lordes ſpirituall & temporal and the comons in this preſent parliament aſſembled and by auctorite of the ſame þ no ſhirefs vnderſhirefs ſhyre clerkes herafter nother any perſon in their names nor by their cõmaundmẽt ſhal take & entre no playntes in to ther bokes in no mannys name on leſſe the partie plaityf be in his propre perſone preſent in the courtes or elles by a ſuffycyent attorney or deputie þ is knowen to be of gode name & diſpolycõn and that the ſame party playntyf ſhall fynde pledges to purſue his ſayd playnt ſuch perſones as are knowen there in þ Coũtyes: and that the party playntyf ſhal haue: but one playnte for one treſpace or contracte. ¶ And if the ſayd Shyrefs Vnderſhyrefs ſhire clerke take entre or cauſe to be entred any mo playntes thanne the playntif ſuppoſeth that he hath cauſe of accyon agayne the defendaunte that than the ſayd ſhyrefs vnderſhyrefs ſhy-

re clerkes that doth entre or cause to be entred any suche playntes contrary to the sayd prouysion & ordynaūce shall forfeyte for euery defawte xl shelynges the one halfe therof to be had to the vse of oure sayd souereyne lorde the kynge & the other parte to hym/ or them that wyll sue/ and proue the same matere by accyon of dette or informacōn in the eschequer ¶ And ouer that the Justice of peas in the same Countes and euery of them shall haue auctorite vpon complaynt made by the partye so vnlawfully greued to examyne the sayd shyrefs vnder shyrefs or shyre clerkes & playntyfs And if the sayd iustyces of peas or one of theym fynde by the examynacyon defaute in the sayd Shirefs vndreshirefs or other shyre clerkes in entrynge of the sayd playntes disceytfully for hys or their auauntage as is afore rehersed contrary to this present acte þ than the sayd shyrefs vndreshirefs & shyre clerkes shall be conuycte & attrynt of the same offence withoute ferthe enquerre or examynacōn and that he shal forfeyte vnto the same examynacion xl shelynges to thuse of oure souereyne lord the kinge for euery defaute. And the sayd Justyces of peas that so shal take the examynacion shal certifie the same examynacōn within a quarter of a yere in to the kiges eschekier vpon payne of xl s. And forthermore þ the sayd shirefs vndershirefs & shyre clerkes make/ or cause to be made a sufficient precept to the bailifs of the hūdredes to attache sūmone or warne the defendauntes that are so in sute to appere & answere to the sayd plaintes And if there be any defaute in the sayd Baillies of the hundredes in warnynge of the sayd defendauntes to appere and answere to the sayd playntes cōmenced ageyne them in ther Countes or in executynge their sayde offyce þ thanne the same Bailifs shal forfeyte for euery defaute vnto oure souereyne lorde the kynge xl shelynges and to be attrynt and conuyct therof by lyke examynacion of the Justices of peas or euery of thē as before is rehersed. & þ the same shirefs vndershirefs shyre clerkes & their deputes for the tyme beynge shall make none estrettes to leuye the sayde shyres amerryamentes vntyll suche tyme that two Justices of peas wherof one shal be of the Quor haue hadde the vewe & ouersight of their bokes & þ the estretes be endēted betwix the said Justices of peas & the sayd shirefs & vndershirefs & sealed with ther seles the one part to remayne with the said iustyces and the other parte with the sayd Shyrefs or vndreshirefs of the entente vnderstande if any dysceyte be or vntrue demeanynge in

theym in makynge of their bokes. And that those persones shall be gaderers of the same amerciamētes as ballifs or other officers be sworne by the sayd Justices that they take nomore money thā is forfeited & conteyned in the estreites sealed with the seles of the sayd Justices of peas vnto the same payn of forfeyture as before is reherced therof the same gaderers to be cōuicte by examinacōn of the Justices of peas or one of them as before is reherced. Prouided alway ꝑ the sayd Justices of peas shall be appoynted & named at the general Sessions after the feest of saynt Michel tharchaungel by him ꝑ is Custos Rotulorꝝ of the sayd Coūtees/ or els by the eldest of the Quorꝝ in his absence to haue the ouersyghte & countrollement of the said shirefs vndershirefs and shire clerkes and other of the sayde offycers & of the sayd shyreefs amerciamē/tes & the sayd Justices of peas vpon suggestyon or informacyon of the party so greued shal make like proces as in an accōn of tres pace ageyn the sayd shirefs vndershyrefs or shyre clerkes & other the forsaid officers mysdemeninge as before is reherced for the appere before them to answere to the said suggestion or informacōn

For kepynge the watche in caleys Capitulo xvi

Here kynge Edwarde the third vppon the wynnynge of the towne of Caleys establisshed & made dyuers gode statutes ordynaunces & lawes within the same town for the sure & safe kepynge of the same & therupon for the same entēt gaue dyuers tenemētes & fair places buylded there to dyuers lordes & noble men thanne of his armye frely to theym and their heyres without any rentes or charges yeldige for the same saue only the fyndynge of certeyn watches lymytted to euery of the said places for the sure kepynge of the same towne to thentent specially that the sayd watches by the sayd lordes & honourable men shuld the better & more sure and fermly be kepte & mayntened. And so it is now ꝑ the owners of the premysses consider nat their sayde charges ne do nat bere the sayd watche by theym due as is aforesayde by meane wherof the burgeyses of the sayd towne for the suertye of the same haue ben many yeres and yet nyghtly ben sore charged to their greate importable losse whiche they canne nor maye contynue: and susteyne: wythoute the kynge oure soueraygne

lord prouide for the relief of the same towne for the remedy wher of the kinge oure souereyne lord by thassent thauyse of the lordes spirituall and temporall and the comons of this present parliamēt assembled & by auctorite of the same ordeyneth & enacteth þ who that hath any fre hold within the towne of Calays out of the why che any yerely charge is goynge for the sure keppynge of the sayde towne for watche or otherwyse þ hereafter ceasses in doynge of the sayd charge by the space of a yere & a day þ than the sayd freholde be seised into the kinges handes he to haue it to hym & hys heyres and durynge the tyme it be in the handes of the kynges highnesse The Tresorer of Calays take the proufytes therof to the kynges vse & bere the charges yerely goynge oute of the sayd freholde to= wardes the said kepige of the said town as before þ tyme it was ac custumed to bere if the sayd fre holde wyll beare the sayde charge And in lyke wyse be charged the kynges Cōmyttes or his patētes for the keppynge of the sayd towne as afore is sayd And for defau= te of the doynge of the same by the space of a yere & a day the sayd tenementes eftsones to be seased as is aforesayd. and so from ty me as oft as the sayd charge is nat contente ne payde by the sayd tyme & duringe the tyme the said tenemētis be i the handes of the kynges highnes. And if the sayd tresorer of Caleys paye nat the sayd charge within a yere & a day that than the sayde Tresorere forfeyte the double value of the same to the kynges highnes if the reuenues be able to fynde the sayde watche.

Apeull destroyenge of partriches and fesauntes wythe vn= lawfull ingynes Capitulo xvii.

Item for as moche as dyuerse persones hauynge lytel sub= staunce to lyue vpon vse many tymes as wel by nettes sna res & other engines to take & destroy fesauntes & partriches vpon the lordshipps maners londes tenūtes of dyuers owners possessyo= ners of the same withoute lycence concent or agremente of the sa= me owners or possessioners: by the whyche the same owners and possessyoners lese nat only theyr pleasure and dysporte that they theyre frendes and seruauntes shulde haue aboute thawkynge: huntynge and takynge of the same. But also they lese the proufy te: and auayle that by thoccasyon shulde growe vnto theyr hous= sholde vnto the greate hurte of alle lordes: and gentylmen: and

other hauynge any great lyuelode within this realme: wherfore it is ordeyned and enacted by auctoryte of this preſent parliament that it ſhal nat be leful to any perſone of what condycyon he be to take: or cauſe to be taken any Felauntes or partriches by nettes ſnares or other engynes out of his own wareyn vpon the freholde of any other perſone without thaſſent aggrement & ſpecyall licence of the owner or poſſeſſioner of the ſame vnto payn of forfeyture of xl. the one halfe therof to be to the partie that wyll ſue for the ſame by accyon of det or by byll or otherwyſe and the other therof to the owner or poſſeſſioner of the ſayd ground vpon the which the ſayde felauntes and partryches be ſo taken. ¶ Alſo it is ordeyned by the ſayd auctoryte that noo maner of perſone of what condicyon or degre he be: take or cauſe to be taken be it vpon hys owne grounde or any other mannys the egges of any faucon goſhawke laners or ſwannys oute of the neſt vpon payne of impriſonement of a yere and a day and fyne atte kinges wyll the one halfe therof to the kynge: and the other halfe vnto the ownere of the grounde where the egges were ſo taken: and that Juſtices of the peas haue auctorite by this preſent acte to here and determyne ſuche mater as wel be Inquiſicion as informacion and proues.

¶ Alſo it is ordeyned by the ſayd auctorite that no man from the feeſt of Paſche next comynge: bere any hawke of the brede of england called an Ayeſſe goſhawke Taſſell Laner Lanerette or fawcon vpon payne of forfeyture of his hawke to the kynge: and the ſayde hawke to be at the kynges pleyſure and that alle ſuche perſones that bryngе any Ayeſſe hawke or hawkes from any of the partyes beyonde the ſee bryngе a certificate vnder the Cuſtomers ſeale of the porte where he firſt landed with the ſayd hawke or howkes. Or if he come oute of Scotlande: thanne vnder the ſeale of the wardeyne or his lieutenaunte of that Marche that he comethe throughe tellyfyenge that the ſame hawke: or hawkes be of the partyes beyonde the ſee of Scotlonde vpon the ſame payne: and that perſone that bryngethe any ſuche hawke or haukes to the kynge ſhal haue a reſonable rewarde of the kynge: or ellys the ſame hawke or hawkes for his labour. Alſo it is ordeyned by the ſame auctorite þ no man take one eyrer faukon goſhauke taſſel or laner or lanerettes in ther waron or woodes or in any other place nor purpoſely dryue them out of their couertes accuſtomed to brede in to cauſe them to go to other couertes to brede: nor ſlee

theym for any hurte by them done but suffre them to passe at their libertees vpon payne of x li. the one halfe therof to the party that wyl sue for the same by accion of dette examinacõn before iustices of the peas informacõn or otherwyse: & the other halfe to the kynge. ¶ Prouyded alwaye that the moyte of the forfyte aboue sayde gyuen vnto the owner of the grounde for takynge of swannes egges be vnto the owner of the sayde swannes and nat to the owner of the grounde.

Nat beynge with the kynge in tyme of nede &c: shal lese fees & annuytees to him graũted Capitulo xviii

THere as euery subgette by the dutye of hys allygeaunce is bounden to serue and assyst his prynce and souereygne lorde at all seasons whan nede shall requyre. And moost specyally such persones as haue by hym promocion or auaũcemẽt as grauntes and gyftes of offices fees and annuytees which owe and verely be bounden of reason to gyue their attendaunce vpon his royal persone to defende the same whan he shal fortune to go in his persone in warrys for the defence of the realme or agaynst his rebelles and ennemyes for the subduynge and represselynge of theym and their malycyouse purpoos wherfore it be enacted and establysshed by the kynge our souerayn lorde by the aduyse of his lordes spirituall and temporall and the comons in thys presente parliamente assembled and by auctoryte of the same that if anye persone or persones beynge wythin this realme of Englonde: or wales hauynge suche offyces fees or annuytees by any of hys retayned gyftes and grauntes do nat gyue theyr attendaunce vpon hym whan he shal fortune to go in warres in his persone in theyr persones as their sayd dutye byndeth theym that than they and euery of them makynge therof defaute the kynges specyal licence nat had or elles he haue such vnfeyned sykenes lettynge or dysease þ he may nat in his persone come to do hys personel attendaunce and seruyce after the fourme aforesayde: and that duely proued. That thanne euery suche persone: or persones forfeyte: and lose ther sayde offyces fees and annuytees and to stande voyde at the kynges pleasure any acte ordinaunce or statute to the contrary afore this tyme had or made i any wise nat wtstandyng Prouyded

that this acte extende nat to no spirituall persone Mayster of the Rolles ne to none other officer and clerkes of the chauncery Justices of eyther Benche Barones of the kynges Eschequer & other officers and clerkes of the sayd places: the kynges Attourneys & Solicitour and the Sergeauntes at the lawe Prouyded alwey that this acte shal nat extende to any persone hauynge any suche offices of the kynges highnes & beynge in his seruyce within hys townes and forteryces of Barwyke and Carlyle: ne to the clerke of the kynges counsell for the tyme beynge.

Ayenst vnlaufkul makynge of federbeddes pyllowes and matrasses Capttulo xix.

TO the right worshipfull Comons in this presente parlyament assembled Sheweth vnto youre discrete wisdomes the wardens of the felishyp of the craft of vpholders wythin the Cyte of london that where as dyuers persones wythin the realme of Englonde out of this sayde Cyte maketh and dothe to be made vnlawful and false ware and marchaundyses to the great rebuke and disclaundre of the sayd craft and also greate Jeopardye losse and disceyte to the kynges subgettes wherfore there is no sufficient remedye purueyed for so moch as the same wardens haue no power nor auctorite to make due serche of such false disceyuable wares and marchaundyses put to sale oute of the sayd Cyte as they haue power and auctorite within the same Cyte as in federbeddes bolsters and pillowes made of two maner of corrupt stuffed That is to say of scalded feders and drye pulled feders togeder and of lockes and feders togedre whiche is contagyous for mannes body to lye on. And also in quiltes Matresses & cussh̄ons stuffed wyth horse heire fenne downe/ netes heire/ deres heire: and gotes heire whyche is wrought in lyme fattes: and by the heete of mannes body the sauour and tast is so abhomynable and contagious & many of the kynges subgettes therby ben dystroyed why the disceytfull makynge of the forsayde corrupt & vnlawful stuffe is to the great losse and enpouerisshynge of the kynges lyege people and also great rebuke and disclaunder to the sayd craft of vpholders. Therfore it may pleas the kynges highnes and by thaduyse of the lordes spirituall and temporal and his comons in thys

present parliament assembled and by auctoryte of the same to es/
tablisshe ordeyne & enacte that from henssorth no parsone ne per=
sones shal make ordeyne vtter ne put to sale in fayres nor i mar=
kettes within this his sayd realme any fetherbedes bolsterfers or
pyllowes except they be stuffed wyth one maner of stuffe þ is too
say with drye pulled fethers or ellis with clene downe alone. And
with no scalded fethers nor fen downe nor none other vnlawfuls
corrupte stuffes as is afore rehersed but vtterly to be dampned for
euer Except if any persone or persones for their owne proper vse
in theyr howses make or do be made any of the forsayd corrupt &
vnlawful stuffe and wares. Soo they be nat offred to be solde in
feyres and markettes vpon payne of forfeyture ¶ And also in ly
ke wyse quyltes matrasses and cussions be stuffed withe one ma=
ner of stuffe: that is to say with clene wull or with clene flockes alo
ne: and with none suche vnlawfull afore rehersed vpon payne of
losse & forfeyture of al such vnlawful wares & marchaundyses.

Ayenst wymen couert makynge alienacion of londes mo ued by the first baron Capitulo xx

For certayne reasonable consyderacyons be it ordeyned:
enacted & establysshed by the kynge our soueygne lorde &
by thassent of the lordes spirituall & temporall and the co=
mons in this present parlyament assembled & by auctoryte of the
same: that if any woman whiche haue had or herafter shall haue
any astate in dower or for terme of lyfe or in taille Joyntly wythe
her husbonde or only to her syfe or to her vse any maners londes
tenementes or other hereditamentes of thenherytaūce or purcha
ce of hir husbonde or geuen to the sayde husbonde & wyfe in taille
or for terme of lyfe by any of the auncestres of the sayde husbonde
or by any other persone seased to thuse of the sayd husbonde or of
his auncestres and haue or shal herafter beynge sole or wyth any
other after taken husbonde discontynued or dyscōtynue alyened
released or confermed aliene releas or conferme with warantie or
by couyne suffred or suffre any recouere of the same agayne them
or any of them or any other seased to theyr vse or to the vse of ey=
ther of them after the fourme afore sayd That al such recouerres
discontinuaunce alienacōns releasses cōfirmacyons & warantes
so had & made and from henssorthe to be had: & made: be vtterly

voyde and none effecte. And that it shalbe lefull to euery persone and persones to whome the interest tytle or inheritaūce after the deceas of the sayd wymen of the said maners londes & tenemētes or other hereditamentes beinge discōtynued aliened or suffred to be recouered after the furst day of Decembre next comynge in the fourme aforesayd shuld apperteyne to entre into al & euery of the premysses and peasyble to possede & enioye the same in suche maner & fourme as he or they shulde haue done if none suche dyscontynuaunce warantie nor recouere had be hadde nor made & ouer this be it ordeyned & enacted by the sayde auctorite þ if any of the sayd husbondes & wymē or any other sealed or þ shalbe seysed to the vse of thē of the estate aforre specified after the sayd furst day of Decembre do make or cause to be made or suffre any suche discōtynuaūce alienacōns warranties or recouerees in fourme aforsayde that than it shal be lefull to the persone or persones: to whome the sayd maners lōdes & tenētes shulde or ought to be longe after the deceas of the sayd womā to entre into the same & thē to possede & enioye accordynge to such tytle & enterest: as they shuld haue had in the same if the same woman had be dede no discontynuaūce warantye nor recouerees had as ayenst the sayd husbonde durynge his lyfe if the sayde discontynunce alyenacion warranties & recouerees be herafter had byn ayēst the same husbōdes & wymē durynge the conuerture & espousel bitwyxt thē Prouided alwaye that the sayde wymen after the deceas of theyr sayde husbondys maye reentre the same maners londes & tenētes & theym to enioye accordynge to their furst estate in the same. ¶ And ouer this be it ordeyned & enacted by the sayd auctorite þ if the sayd womā atte tyme of such discontynuaūce alienacōns recouerres warranties after the sayd furst day of Decembre in fourme aforsayd to be hadde & made of any of the premysses be so that than she shalbe barred and excluded of hir tytle and interest in the same from thensforth And þ the persone & persones to whome the title interest & possession of the same shulde be long after the deceas of the sayd woman shal ymmediatly after the discontynunaunce alienacōns warantyes & recouerees entre into the same maners lōdes tenētes and other hereditamentes & them to possede & enioye accordynge to his or their title in the same. Prouyded also þ this acte extende nat to auoyde any recouere discontynuaunce or warātie after the fourm aforsayd afore this tyme had made or suffred but only where the sayd husbonde and woman or eyther of them nowe beinge alyue

or any other to their vse nowe haue entres & tytle to the sayd maners londes tenites or other hereditamentes alienes discontinued or suffred to be recouered after the fourme aforsayd & therof now takynge the issues & profytes or any other persone: or persones to their vse. Prouided also þ this acte extende nat to any such recouere or discontinuaunce to be had with the heyres next enheritable to the saide woman or he or they that next after the deth of the same woman shulde haue of astate of inheritaũce i the same maner londes tenites be assentynge or agreable to the said recouerees where the same assent & aggrement be of recorde or inrolled. Prouided also þ it shalbe lefull to euery such woman beyng sole or maryed after the deth of hir first husbonde to gyue selle or make discontinuaunce of any suche londe terme of hir lyfe oonly after the cours and vse of the comon lawe before the makynge of this present acte.

For enquestes herafter to be charged within London Capitulo. xxii.

Here as periury is moche and custumably vsed within the Cyte of London amonge suche persones as passen and been ympaneiled vpon yssues Joyned betwene party: and partye in the courtes of the same cyte too the greate displeasure of almyghty god and also to the disheritaunce manyfold wronges of the kynges subgettes for asmoche as there is impanelled in the same enquestes persones of lytell substaunce discrecyon. and reputacyon and also none atteynte ne other sufficient punysshmente is for suche periured persones before thys tyme purueyed: and ordeyned withm the same Cyte Therfore it may please the kynges hyghnesse by the aduyce and assent of the lordes spirituall: and temporall and the Comons in this present parliament assembled and by auctorite of the same to establysshe ordeyne: and enacte that no persone ne persones herafter be impaneiled summoned or sworne in any Jury or enquestes in courtes withm the same cyte except he be of londes/ tenementes/ or godes & catelles to the value of xl marke. And þ no persone nor persones herafter be impanelled summoned nor sworne in any Jury or enquest in any court withint he sayde cyte for londes or tentes or accion personel wherin the dette or damages amounteth to the some of xl marke

or abouc except he be in londes tenūtes godes or catalles to the va-
lue of C marc and the same mater & cause alledged by any of the
sayde partyes by way of chalenge & so founden shall be admytted
& taken in cuery of the same courtes as pryncypal chalenge. And
þ cuery such persone herafter to be impanelled or sūmoned to ap-
pere in any Jury or enquest before any of the sayd Juges of the sa
me cyte makynge defaute at fyrste sūmons lese & forfeyte in issues
xii d. and atte seconde defaute ii s. and soo at cuery suche defawte
after þ the issues & penalties to be doubled: and alle suche yssues
lefte in the mayres courte: shal be forfeyted leuyed & perceyued to
thuse & behofe of the mayre & coialtie of the sayd cyte And al such
yssues loste in the shirefs court or courtes shalbe forfeyted leuied &
perceyued to thuse of the Shirefs of the same cyte for the tyme be
yng towarde ther fefcrme And also be it enacted by lyke auctorite
þ the parte greued by any vntrue or false verdite herafter to be gy
uen in any of the courtes of the sayd cyte shal and maye haue and
sue atteynt by bylle in the Hustynges of london holden for comon
plees before the Mayre & Aldermen of the same cyte for the tyme
beynge & therupon a precepte to be awarded: & made by the same
mayre to euery alderman of the sayd cite or his deputye in his ab-
sence to presente & certifye the names of iii indifferente & discrete
persones of gode fame & cuery of theym of substaunce of C li. or
more Citezyns of the same cite dwellyng in his warde to the may
re & aldermen of the said cite for the tyme beynge at the hustynges
of comon plees withi the same cyte than nexte ensuynge to be hol-
den of whiche persones so presented & certified the sayde Mayre &
vi aldermen or moo holdynge the same courte of hustynges shall
take name & impanel xl viii by their discrecyon thought mooste a-
ble sufficyent & indifferent. And the mayre & his successours may
res of the sayd cyte shal do to be sūmoned the sayd xl viii persones
so by the sayde Mayre & aldermen named & impanelled and also
the Jariours on the peti Jury and the partie or partyes named as
tenauntes or defendauntes in the said byl of atteynt to appere be
fore the mayre & aldermen of the same cyte at the hustinges of co-
mon plees than nexte to be holden in the same cyte. And if the sa-
me attaynt than or any other tyme happen to remayne vntaken
for or by defaute of Juriours by chalenge or other wise that vpon
cuery tales graunted the sayde mayre & aldermen shall impanell
the sayd persones which were certifyed by the sayde aldermen or

their deputies and omytted oute of the sayde panell or put therin other persone or persones beynge citezens of the sayd cite & of the substaunce of C li. or moze. And also þ al the ple & plees to be alledged or pleded by or for the tenaunt or defendaunte tenaũtes or defendaunteso; by any of the Juryours of the petit Jury in the same atteynte & triable by any Jury or enquest shal be tried with in the same cyte & by thenquestes of the same & in none other place ne countye. And þ none of the sayd petit Jury ne other parties named in any such byll of atteynt shall or may haue any chalenge too tharray or to any persone or pol therin beynge impanelled for lacke of sufficiens of godes or of londes. Ouer þ be it prouided and enacted that the iugement in any such atteynt shal nat extende to any lõdes or tenũtes ne to other punysshmente of the petyte Jury ne other procesſe to be in the same atteynt than is limytted & appoynted in this present acte. And if the xxiiii persones of the said xl viiii persones swozne in the same atteynt fynde þ the Juryours named i the pety Jury haue made & yeuen an vntrue verdyte that than the Jugement shal ayenst the partye defendaunt in the same atteynt as is vsed in atteynt sued by writ at comon law And ferthermoze the iugement in the same atteynt shalbe agayn the pety Jury þ euery of the iurours of the same pety Jury shal forfeyte & lese xx li. ozmoze by the discrecion of the mayre and Aldermen of the sayd cyte kepynge the same hustinges or any other hustinges of comon plees to such vse & behof as other issues & penalties ben forfeited & lost in any accõn or playnt cõmenced before the Mayre & aldermen of the same cyte and his body to be imprysoned there to remayne without baille or maynprise vi monthes or lesse by the discrecõn of the Mayre & aldermen of the same cite for the tyme beynge. and to be disabled for euer to be swozne in any Jury before any tempozall Juge. ¶ And ouer þ it be enacted by the same auctozyte þ if it be founden by the grande Jury in the same atteynt þ the petyt Jury haue gyuen a true verdite þ than the grande Jury shal haue auctozyte & power to enquire if any of the pety Jury toke or perceyued any some of mony or other reward or promyse of money or other rewarde of them named defendauntes or tenauntes in the same atteynt or if any other persone or persones by the cõmaundement couyne or assent of any of them to or for thentent of their verdite gyuynge whezupon the same atteynt is grounded. And after any such corruptyon by the sayd grande

Jury founden, that than the Jurour or Jurours of the sayd pety Jury þ is founden so defectif in takynge & perceyuyng any sõmes of money or other rewarde or promyse of rewarde: shalle lose forfeyte & pay to the playntif or playntyfs named in the said attеynt x tymes the value of þ sõme or other rewarde soo taken perceyued or promysed in fourme abouesayd & to suffre imprisonemẽt with out bail or maynprise vi monthes or lesse by the discrecyon of the sayd Mayre & aldermen, and to be disabled for euer to be sworne in any Jury before any tẽporal Juge. ¶ And ouer þ be it enacted þ such defendaunt or tenaunt defendanntes or tenauntes in the same attеynt shal lose forfeyte & pay to such vse & behof as other penalties ben forfeyted within the same cyte x. tymes the value of þ sõme of money or other rewarde by him or theym so yeuen to any of the sayd pety Jury And the same defendaunt or tenaunt defendauntes or tenauntes to be imprisoned there to remayn withoute bail or maynprise duryng vi monthes or lesse by the discrecyon of the sayd mayre & aldermen. And if any dettes damages or costes be recouered in any accõn wherupon suche attеynt is grounded & by the same attеynte þ it be founde þ the pety Jury haue gyuen a false serement that thanne for the recouere & restitucõn of the same dette damages & costes the playntyf or playntifs in euery attеynt shal & may haue and sue an accõn of dette ayenst the same defendaunt or tenaunt by wrytte byll or playnte in euery of the kynges courtes wherin the same defendaunt or tenaunt & euery of theym shal nat be receyued to doo his lawe. ¶ And ouer þ be it enacted þ if any playntyf or playntyfs in any suche attеynt cõmenced before the sayd mayre & aldermen vpon any recorde remaynyng with in the same cyte & therin be none sute or if the fyrst serement therin be affermed that thanne he or they shall haue ympryseonement & make fyne by the discrecõn of the mayre & aldermen of the sayd cyte for the tyme beynge. And that fyne to be & goo to the Mayre & cominaltie of the sayd cyte. And if there be two or mo playntyfs in any such attеynt ordeyned by this estatute & any of theym dye or be nonsuyte the other by this acte shalbe enhabled to sue for the procedynge in the same attеynt & nat w'standynge the deth of the defendaunt or tenaunt defendaũtes or tenauntes or any of the pety Jury named in the same attеynt so that there be two of the same pety Jury on lyue the same attеynt shal nat abate. ¶ And also be it ordeyned by the same auctorite that if any of the Juriours

of the sayd graunde Jury ympanelled & sūmoned in fourme afor sayd at the sūmons make defaute so that the atteynt remaynethe to be taken for defaute of Jurours that thanne euery of the same Jurours so makynge defawte lose & forfeyte for the firste defawte xl shelynges and at the seconde defawte v. li. and at euery defawte after that x. li. And like proces to be made & sued therayenst the graunde Jury & the pety Jury And the party & parties as is to be made & sued in atteynt sued at the comon lawe. And þ the same proces be retornable at euery hustinges of comon plees. & þ the atteynt remayn nat to be taken after the firste sūmons retorned for or by the defaut of the defendaūt or tenaunt defendaūtis or tenaūtis or of any of the pety iurī named in the same atteynt by this acte ordeyned: & þ the sayd yssues or penaltees forfeyted by any of the sayde graunde Jury be forfeyte leuyed & perceyued to thuse of the Mayre & coialtie of the sayde cyte and þ no protecc̄on nor essoyne be allowed in this atteynt by this acte purueyed. Prouided alwey þ vpon al atteyntes herafter to be cōmenced within the sayde cyte vpon any recorde wherin the tryall & inquest was byhalfe tonge. that the sayd mayre & aldermen shal impanel the graūdez Jurye in the same attaynt the one half of straūgers of gode fame & of the substaūce of godes to the value of C. li. & more inhitynge within the same cyte at large/ and the residue of the same graūd Jury to be of like value & substaūce of godes impanelled of cytezyns as is aforsayd. and ouer this be it enacted by the sayd auctorite that no acte of atteynt of the pety Jury made in this present parlyamente nor no thinge therin cōteyned other than this present acte nor non other penaltye or punysshiment in any other acte than is afore conteyned in this present acte be hurtful nor extende to any Jurye or enquest herafter to be taken before any Juge of and within the same Cyte..

For wages of hýnes in husbondrýe and artificers and laborers: Ca. xxii.

Where diuers estatutes before thys tyme haue ben made and ordeyned for seruauntes of husbōdrye & also for laborers & artificers by diuers & many royal & noble pgenitours vnto our soueregn lorde the kinge nowe beynge & in especial a statut made by the ryghte

noble cristen prince of blessed memory kynge Henry the vi: vncle to our sayd souereyn lord the xxiii yere of his reyn which nat with standinge grete & many defautes daily encreace rest & contynue a mōge laborers & artificers some bicause the sayd estatutes be nat executed & some bycause the remedye by the sayd estatutes is nat very pfyte nor yeueth certeyn ne hasty remedy so þ daily by theyr subtil ymagynacōn in defaute of the saide estatutes many of the kinge our souereyn lordes subgettis ben hurt disceyued lette & damaged in their buyldynge & husbondrye. Be it therfore establysshed enacted and ordeyned by auctorite of this present parliamēt first that no baily of husbōdry shal take for his wages by the yere aboue xx vi s. viii. d. & for his clothinge v s. with mete & drynke. No cheif hyne as a carter or cheif shepeherd aboue xxs by the yere & for his clothinge v s. with mete & drinke No comon seruaūt of husbondry aboue xvi s. viii d. by the yere & for clothinge iiiis with mete & drinke No woman seruaūt aboue x s. by the yere & for hir clothinge iiii s. with mete & drinke No childe within thage of xiiii yere aboue vi s. viii d. by the yere & for hys clothynge iiii s. wyth mete & drinke. ¶ And þ non artificer ne laborer herafter named take nomore ne gretter wages than in this estatute is limitted vpon the payn assessid aswel vnto the taker asto the yeuer þ is to say a fre mason mayster carpēter rough mason brikleyer mayster tyler plūmer glasier keruer nor Joyner fro Eester to myghelmasse euery of these artificers aforsayd vi d. by the day without mete or drinke: and with mete & drinke iiii d. And fro myghelmas vnto Ester v d. withoute mete or drinke/ & with mete & drynke iii. d. And that the wages of a shypwright from the feest of candelmas to the feest of saynt myghel tharchaūgel shal nat excede the fourme ensuynge that is to say: a maister shipcarpenter takynge the charge of the werke hauynge men vnder hym by the day v d. wythe mete and drynke: and withoute mete/ and drynke vii d. An other shipcarpenter called an hewer by the day iiii d. with mete and drynke: and withoute mete and drynke vi d. An able clyncher by the day iii d. with mete and drynke: and wythoute mete & drinke v d. An holder by the day ii d. with mete and drynke & wythout mete & drinke iiii d. A mayster calker by the day iiii d. wyth mete & drinke & withoute mete & drinke vi d. Another meane calker by the day iii d. with mete & drinke & withoute mete & drynke v d. A calker laboringe by the tyde for as longe tyme as he maye labour aboue the wat & bineth the wat shal nat excede for his wa/

ges for euery tyde iiii d. with mete & drynke. And from the feest of Mychelmas to Candelmas: the wages of a mayster shyp wryte by the day iiii d. with mete & drinke & withoute mete & drynke vi d. an hewer by the daye iii d. with mete & drynke: and wythoute mete and drynke v. d. An able clyncher by the day ii d. ob. wythe mete and drynke and without mete & drynke iiii d. ob. An holder by the day id. ob. with mete & drynke & withoute mete and drynke iii d.. A mayster calker by the day iii pence with mete and drinke: and wythoute mete and drynke v. pence. An other meane calker by the daye ii d. halfe peny wyth mete and drynke: and wythoute mete and drynke iiii pence halfe peny. ¶ Be it also enacted þ in such shyres and countrees that where it hath been and is nowe vsed to geue lasse wages: that in those shyres & coũtrees they shal soo geue. And the taker of wages be Compelled accordynge as they haue lesse vsed to take this acte nat withstandinge. And that the mayster mason & mayster carpenter which shal take the charge of the werke hauynge vnder any of thẽ vi men shalle haue vii. pence without mete & drynke & v d. by the day with mete & drynke And that euery persone & artificer specifyed in this estatute beyng nat reteyned in any seruyse for any werke be compelled too serue euery other pson for such wages as in this estatut before is lymitted: & þ no artificer reteyned in seruyce to werke withe the kynges highnes or any persone: depart nat fro his sayd hyghnes or from the sayde other persone tyll such tyme as the werke be fenysshed if the persone so reteynynge thartificer so longe wil haue hym & pay his wages vpon payne of imprysonement of any persone so departynge by the space of a moneth & to make fyne of xx s. alwayes prouided & forseen þ if the same artyficer be desired vnto the kynges seruyce & werke that than he may lawfully departe So that he entre & be in the kinges seruyce & werke. And it is ferther ordeyned by the sayde auctoryte that euery other laborer & artificer nat afore named. shall take from Ester tyll Mychelmas for euery day þ he so laboreth excepte the season of herueſt iii pence wythout mete or drynke: and ii pence with mete and drynke: and from Mychelmas to Ester iii d. withoute mete or drynke: and i d. ob. with mete and drynke. And in the sayd tyme of harueſt euery mower shal take by the day iiii d. with mete & drinke & withoute mete & drynk vi. pence. A repar & carter euery of them ii d. by the day with mete & drike & withoute mete & drynke v d. A woman laborer & other

labo;ers euery of them ii d. ob. by the day with mete and drinke & without mete & drynke iii d. ob. And that none artificer no; labo;er werkynge but the half day take no wages but fo; the half day & no thynge fo; the holy day. And if any bailly of husbond;y hyne carter shepeherde comon seruaunt woman seruant o; child seruaunt aboue specified nat reteyned in any seruyce o; werke re/ fuse to serue aco;dynge to tho;dinaunce aboue specified than the same persone to be cõmytted to wa;de by the Cõstable o; othe; he de office; within the cyte towne o; village where the pa;ty so refu synge is: at complaynt of hym that wyll reteyne suche seruaunte there to remayne tyl he haue founde suertie to serue aco;dynge to the sayd o;dynaunce ¶ Ferthermo;e if any artificer o; labo;er be yng nat reteyned in any seruice o; werke refuse to se;ue after ye ra te of this estatute o; take gretter o; mo;e wages than therin is ly= mytted fo; the same artificers & labo;ers: o; if any artificer o; la= bo;er take wages fo; the holy day where he werketh but the halfe day that thanne euery artificer & labo;er offendyng in any of the fo;sayd articles fo;feyte fo; euery defaute as ofte as they offende xx s. & they to be conuicte fo; euery such defaute by p;esentement afo;e the iustices of peas i the sessions aco;dyng to the comon law o; by examynacion of the same iustices in the same sessions o; by examinacyon of ii iustices of peas out of the sessions in any place within the shyre where they ben Justices: & where suche defaute shal be made: and þ the sayd fo;feyture of xx s. be leuyed of theyr londes godes & catelles so offendyng. ¶ And ferthe;mo;e where dyuers artificers & labo;ers reteyned to werke & serue waste mo= che parte of the daye & deserue nat their wages: sometyme in late comynge vnto theire werke erly departyng therfro longe sittyng at their brekefast at their dyner & nonemete & longe tyme of slee= pynge at after none to the losse and hurte of such persones as the sayde artificers and labo;ers be reteyned with in seruice it is ther/ fo;e establissched enacted and o;deyned by auctorite afo;sayd that euery artificer and labo;er be at hys werke betwene the mydde of the moneth of March and the mydde of the moneth of Sep= tembe;e befo;e fyue of the clocke in the mo;nynge. And that he ha ue but halfe an houre fo; his b;ekefast: and an houre and an hal/ fe fo; his dyner atte suche tyme as he hathe season fo; slepe vnto hym appoynted by thys sayde Estatute: and atte suche tyme as is therin appoynted: that he shalle nat sleepe. ¶ Thanne he fo;

to haue but an houre for his dyner & halfe an houre for his noone/
mete And that he depart nat from his werke betwene the myddes
of the sayd monethes of March & September tyl betwene vii. &
viii of the clocke in the enenynge: and if they: or any of theym of
fende in any of these articles that than theyr defawtes be marked
by hym or his depute that shal pay their wages and at the wekes
ende theyre wages to be abated for suche rate of tyme as they ha=
ue offended contrary to this estatute. And that from the myddes
of September to the myddes of March euery artificer and labo
rer be atte their werke in the spryngynge of the day: and departe
nat tyl nyght of the same daye: and that the sayde artyficers and
laborers slepe nat by day but only from the myddes of the mone
the of Maye vnto the myddel of the moneth of Auguste. ¶ And
also it is enacted by the sayde auctoryte þ no persone fro hensforth
yeue no more wages to any Bailly of husbondry hyne shepeherd
or other afore named or to any artyficer or laborer in this estatute
specified than in the same estatute is lymytted and assigned vpon
payne of forfeyture for euery such defaute xl shelynges. And that
the party so offendynge be couicte therof afore the Justices of peas
as wel by presentment in the sessions as by examinacon of iustices
of peas out of the sessions in lyke wise as is afore reherced of labo
rers & artificers. Also it is establysshed & enacted by the sayd auc
toryte: þ if any artificers or laborers reteyned in seruyce with any
persone for byldinge or reparacion make or cause to be made any
assemble to assaute harme or hurte any persone assygned to coptrol
and ouersee them in their werkynge that he or they so offendynge
haue ymprisonement for a yere withoute letynge to bail or mai=
nprise and ferther to make fyne atte kynges wyll. This acte to
begynne and take affecte at saynt Gregories day nexte comynge
and in the meane tyme the same to be proclamed in euery gode cy
te burgh and towne of this realme.

For galwgynge and packynge of salmon eles & herynge. Capitulo xxiii:

¶ Here at a parlyament holden at westm in the xxii yere of
the regne of kynge Edwarde the iii amõge other thynges
it was enacted ordeyned & establysshed þ no marchaũt straunger

nor deynezyn after the feest of saynte Michel tharchaungel than
next comynge shulde sel nor put to sale any samon by butte barel
halfe barell or any other vessell afore it shulde be seen but if the sa-
me butte shulde holde & conteyne lxxxiiii galons the barel lxii ga-
lons the halfe barel xxi galons wel and truly packed vpon payne
of forfeyture of euery butte barel and halfe barel so lackynge ther
sayd mesures vi s. viii. ¶ Also that no such marchaunt beynge
vnder the sayd kynges obeysaunce after the sayd fest of saynt my
chel shulde selle nor put to sale any maner samon by butte barelle
or other vessell but if it shulde be wel & truly packed: that is to say
the greate samon by it sylf without medlinge of any grilles or bro
ken belyed samon with the same: and that all smale fysshe callyd
grylles shulde be packed by theym silf only without any medling
vpon payne of forfeyture & lesynge of vi s. viii d. for euery butte
barel or demye barel contrarye to the sayde acte medled packed &
put to sale ¶ Also þ no such marchaunt nor other persone shulde
put any herynge to sale by barel demye barel or fyrkyn but if the
same barel conteyne xxxii galons. the halfe barelle & fyrkyn after
the same rate. And þ the same herynges shuld be wel truly & iust
ly layde & packed and shulde be of one tyme takynge: & saltynge
And that the same heringe shuld be as gode & aswel packed in the
myddes & euery parte of the same barel & other vessel as it shulde
be at any of the endes of the same barel and vessell vpon payne of
forfeyture & losynge of iii s iiii d. for euery barell halfe barell and
fyrkyn so lackynge theyr sayde mesure and alsoo vpon payne of
forfeyture & losynge of iii s iiii d. for euery barel halfbarel & firkyn
of heringe cōtrary to the said act sorted layed or packed Also that
no such marchaunt nor palynge man shul selle or put to sale any
elys by barel halfe barel or fyrkyn but if the barel shulde conteyn
lxii galons: the halfe barel and firkyn after the same rate. Nor þ
any such marchaunt nor palynge man shulde medle any gall bit/
ton storued or pulled elys with gode elys but þ the same gode elis
shulde be wel & iustly packed & solde by themsilfe nor shuld medle
with the sayd gode elys nor put to sale any redde ele vpon payne
of forfeyture & losynge of x s for euery barell hafe barell & fyrkyn
so lackynge their sayde mesure & on peyne of losige x s. for euery
barel halfe barel and ferkyn so as is aforsayde medled & contrary
to the sayd acte packed or put to sale. ¶ Also þ noo marchaunte
after the sayd feest shuld sel nor put to sale any barelled fisshe but

if the same fysshe shulde be well & truly packed: that is to saye the tale fysshe by theym silfe & the smalle fisshe called gulles by theym silfe without any medlynge of the sayd small fysshe with the grete fisshe & without medlynge & packynge of Thokis or broken belied fysshe with the sayde tale fisshe or smalle fisshe: & þ neyther the tale fysshe nor small fysshe shulde be layde double in packynge. And þ euery tale fysshe shulde conteyne in length from the bone of the fynne to the thirde toynt of the tayle xxvi ynches at the leest and that the names of all such barelled fysshe shulde be no lenger than the litell bone þ sitteth vpon the great fynne And that the bone of euery such saltfysshe shuld be take away vnto the nauyll of the same fysshe. And that euery such fysshe shulde be platted downe too an handful of the tayle vpon payne of forfeyture of lesynge of iii. s. iiii pence for euery barel of fysshe: whiche from thensforthe shulde be founden packed: sorted/ and medled/ naped: layde dowble: or nat boned: nor splatted accordynge to the sayde acte. And also in eschewynge of the comon hurtes & diseases aboue reherred the sayd late kynge ordeyned and enacted by the sayd auctorite that all Meyres bailifs and gouernours of cytees townes burghes marketts and al other places of this realme for the tyme beynge where they shulde be Mayres Baillyfs and gouernours shulde haue power and auctorite to name and chose a discrete and expert person/ or persones duly to serch and gauge all suche vessells as ben aboue reherced that they shulde be truely packed and kept theyre true mesure and assyse accordyuge to the ordynaunce aboue layde as in the forsayde acte therof made more playnly appereth and for as moche as in the sayde acte is noo certeynte appoynted: howe moch euery suche gauger/ packer/ and sercher shulde take for his laboure in executynge of theyr sayd offyce they be theyre owne Juges and at theyr pleasures take for the same gaugynge packynge and serchynge by waye of extorcyon suche greate sommes of money as theym lyketh: wherby the kynges true subgettes are greatly empouerysshed and wronged. That it myghte therfore pleas the kynges hyghnesse by the aduyse of the lordes spirytual and temporal and the comons in this presente parlyamente assembled and by auctorite of the same to conferme ratifye and establysshe the sayd acte & euery thynge therin comprised And ouer þby the same auctorite to ordeyne & establysh þ euery suche gauger packer & sercher take no more for gaugynge of a barel samon barel herynge barel fysshe barel clys halfe barel & fyrkyn for euer

ry pece ſo gauged but a ferthynge / & for his laboure for ſerchynge & packinge if it be nede of a barel ſamon fro hede to hede i d. and for his labour for bonynge nappynge & packinge of a barel fiſſhe if it be nede i d. & for his laboure in ſerchynge & packinge of a barell herynge from hede to hede if it be nedeful u d: & for ſerchinge and packinge of euery barel of elys u d. And for ſerchinge & packinge of euery halfe barel of herynge fro hede to hede i d. & for euery halfe barel of elys ſerchinge and packynge i d / & for ſerchynge / & packynge of euery firkyn of herynge if it be nedeful ob. And yf þ that al & euery ſuch gauger ſercher & packer þ myſbehaueth or offendeth in any thynge cõcernynge the ſaid offices of gauger ſercher & packer cõtrary to this acte & ſo proued before any of the ſaid mayres baillifs or gouernours of any cyte town burgh market or any other place w'i this reame whẽ he or they ſo be gaugers packers or ſerchers gauger packer or ſercher ſhal loſe & forfeyte his ſayde office and the ſame from thenſforth no lenger to enioye. And leſe graunt or graũtes therof made natwithſtanding. and for ferther punyſſhment to haue & ſuffre impriſonemẽt by the ſpace of xl day es without bail or mainpriſe. Prouided alwey þ the ſaid ſercher & packer or any of them ſhal no thinge receyue of the ſaid fees by colour of their office but only for ſuch buttes barelles halfe barelles & firkyns as by them herafter ſhal be ſufficiently ſerched and packed & be nat afore ſufficiently packed This preſent acte to begynne & take affecte at the feſt of Eſter next comynge & nat before.

For punyſſhynge of periury and leſſyng the penalte in a ſtatute Capitulo xxiiii.

The kyng our ſouereyn lord of his moſt goodly & gracious diſpoſicõn calling to hys remẽbraunce howe þ periurye in this land is in manyfold cauſes by vnreſonable meanes deſtably vſed to the diſheritaunce & great damage of many & grete noumbre of ſubgettes wel diſpoſed & to the mooſt hyghe dyſpleaſure of almighty god / the gode ſtatutes ayenſt al officers hauige retourns of writtes & their deputes makynge panelles partially for rewardes to them gyuen ageynſt vnlawful mayntenours ibraſours / & turrours & ayenſt turrours vntruly yeuyng ther verdite natwithſtandynge / for reformacõn of the ſame by the kyng our ſouereyn lord & the lordes ſpirituall & tẽporal & the comõs in this preſẽt parliament aſſẽbled & by auctorite of the ſame be it enacted ordeyned &

establyssched þ vpon euery vntrue verdyte herafter gyuen bitwix parte & partie in any suyte playnte or demaũde before Justices of recorde where the thing in demaũde & verdyte therupon gyuen extendyth to the value of xl li. & cõcerneth nat þ Jeoperdye of mannys lyfe the party greued by the same verdyte shal haue a wrytte of atteynt ageynst euery persone herafter so gyuyng and vntrue verdite & euery of them & ayenst the partye which shal haue iugement vpon the same verdyte and þ in the same atteynt there shal be awarded ageynst the petyte Jury the party & the graũd Jury soom reson & distresse ifinyte which graũde Jury shal be of lyke noumbre as the grũde Jury is nowe in atteynt & euery of theym þ shal passe in the same shal haue londes & tenũtes too the value of xx marc. by the yere of fre holde out of the aũcient demene & vpon the distres which shalbe delyuered of recorde vpon the same open proclamacõn to be made in the courte there the distresse shall be awarded more than xv dayes afore the retourn of the same distres and euery such distres shalbe made vpon the lande of euery of the sayd graunde Jury as in other dystresse is & hath been vsed: and if the sayde partye defendaunte or the petyte Jurours: or any of them appere nat vpon the destresse than the graunde Jury to be taken ayenste theym & euery of theym þ shall soo mak̃e defawte. And if any of the sayde petyte Jury appere than the party complaynaunt in þ behalfe shall assigne the false secrement of the first verdite vntruly gyuen: wherunto they of the petite Jury shal haue none answere if they be the same persones and the wrytte processe retourne & assignment gode & lawful except þ the demaundaũte or playntyf in the same atteynte hath afore be nonsuyte or discontynued his suyte of atteynt taken for the same verdyte or hathe for the same verdyte in a writte of atteynt had iugemẽt ageynste the sayde petyte Jury but only þ they made true verdyte why the yssue shalbe tryed by xxiiii of the sayd graũde Jurye: and the party shal plede þ they gaue true verdyte or any other mater whiche shal be a sufficyent barre of the sayd atteynt and that plee nat withstandyng the graunde Jury to be taken without delay to enquyre whether the first Jury gaue true verdyte or noo and if they fynde þ the sayd petite Jury gaue an vntrue verdyte: than euery the sayde petite Jury to forfeyte xx li. wherof the one halfe shalle be to the kynge our souereyne lorde & the other half to the party þ sueth: And ouer þ that euery of the sayd pety Jury shal seuerally

make fyne and raunson ne by the discrecion of the Justices before whom the sayd false serement shal be founde after their severall offences defautes & sufficience of every of the sayde petyte Jurye And after þ that those of the sayd petyte Jurye so atteynted shal neuer after be any credence: nor their othe accepted in any courte And if suche plee as the party pleedeth which is a barre of the sayd attent be founde or demed ayenst him þ so pleedeth thanne the partye that so sueth shal haue iugement to be restored to that he loste with his resonable costes & damages Forsen alwey þ any outlawer in any accon or cause plonal or excōmengemēt plede: or aleyed in the party playntif or demaundant shalbe taken but as a voyde plee and to that he shall nat be put to answere And þ in all the aforesayde proces suche day shalbe gyuen as is in a wrytte of dower and none alloyne or protecon to ipe nor to be alowed in the same And if the sayd graund Jury appere nat vpon the fyrste distresse had agenst theym: so þ the Jurie for their defaute doo remayne he þ maketh defaute shal forfeyte to the kinge xx s. And vpon the seconde distres xl s. And after makynge defaute for euery: suche defaute v li. And lyke penalities & forfeytures to be ayenst them & euery of theym þ shal be named in the tales as is afore expressed ayenst euery of the sayd graund Jury aforsayd And þ for & by the oeth of the party or any of the sayd petyte Jury the sayd attente shal nat abate nor be deferred agenst the remenaunt as lōge as two of the sayd petite Jury be alyue And if herafter any false verdyte be gyuen in any actyon sute or demaunde afore any Justice of record of any thinge personel as dette trespas & other lyke whiche shal be vnder the value of xl li. that thanne the partye greued shal haue atteynt wyth suche proces & pees as is afore rehersed/ And delayes to be taken away as afore is remembred except þ in this cale of atteynt euery persone of the graunde Jury þ may dyspende v marc by the yere of fre holde oute of auncyent demeane. or is worth C marc of godes & catelles shalbe able to passe in the same atteynt. And if the petyte Jurye be atteynted that thanne they shal in this cale of atteynt euery of theym forfeyte but v li. wherof one halfe shalbe to the kinge & the other halfe to the party after the fourme afore rehersed and ouer that to make fyne & raunsonne by the discrecon of the Justices as is aforsayd. And if there be nat persones of such sufficience within the shyre where any of the sayd attentes shall be taken as may passe in the same: be it or

deyned by the auctoryte aboue sayde: that thanne tales shalle be awarded into the shyre nexte adioynynge by the discrecion of the Justyces afore whome the same atteyntes shall be taken whyche shal be warned to appere vpon lyke paynes as is afore sayd & enabled to passe in the sayde atteyntes: as if they were dwellynge in the shyre where the same atteynt shal be taken & þ the same lawes action & remedy ordeyned by this present acte be kepte for & to all them þ shalbe greued by such vntrue verdytes of any inheritaunce in discent reuercõn to remayndre or of any freholde in reuercyon or remayndre. And if the party in atteynt gyuen by thys acte be nonsuyte or the same dyscontynew: that than the same partye so nonsuyte or so discõtynuenge the sayd attent make fyne & raũsonne by the discretõn of the iustices afore whom the sayd atteynt shalbe taken & depending and þ al atteyntes hereafter to be taken shal be taken afore the kynge in his benche or afore the Justyces of the comon place & none in other courtes. And þ Nisi prius shal be graunted by discrecyon of the Justyces vpon the dystres. And euery of the said petite Jury may appere & answere by attourney in the sayd atteynt and þ the moyte of the sayde forfeyture of the petite Jury shal be leuyed to thuse of our souereyne lord by Capias ad satisfaciend: or Fieri fac: or Elegit: or by accõn of dette ayenst euery persone of the petite Jury to forfeytynge & ayenst his executours & admynystratours hauynge than sufficient godes of ther sayd testatour nat admynistred: and thother moyte shall by like pces be leuied to thuse of the partie þ sueth any atteynt geuen by this acte ayenst euery of the sayd petite Jure & his executours admynistratours hauige than sufficiencie of godes as is afore sayde nat admynystred. and the iugemente of restytucyon to the ptie greued suynge this acte & execucõn of the same to be had & lyke iugemẽt for the partye defendaũt or tenaũt to be discharged of restytucõn as afore this present acte in cas of a graunde atteynte hath be vsed. ¶ Be it also ordeyned & enacted by thauctorite aboue sayd þ in euery writ of atteynt hereafter to be taken by or vpon this acte the which shalbe such as other wrytes of atteynt be & after the Teste of the same wrytte shalbe written these wordes in laten. Per statutum anno vndecimo henrici septimi editum.

¶ Be it also ordeyned & enacted by the same auctorite that al panelles hereafter to be returned whyche be nat at the suyte of any partye that shall be made & putte in afore any Justices of Gaole

deliuere o; Justices of peas in their open Sessions to enquire for the kynge shal herafter be refourmed by addicyons and takynge out of names of persones by discrecõn of the same Justices before whom such panell shall be returned. And that the same Justices shal herafter commaunde the Shyrrf o; his myn̄istres in his absence to put other persones in the same panel by ther discrecõns & that panell so herafter to be made to be gode and lawfull. Thys acte to endure only to the next parliament.

For punyshment of periury by examynacyon of the Chaunceller Treforer &c. Capitulo. xv.

The kynge our soucrayn lo;d wel vnderstandynge the haynous and detestable periuries daily cõmytted within this reãme i enquestes & Juries taken as wel betwyx hys hyghnes and other his subgettes: and party and party as in enquestes of office to the hygh displeasure of almyghty god and lettynge of admynistracion of Justice the which periury groweth by vnlawful reteyndours mayntenaunce embracynge chãpartye & to;rupcõn of gode as wel of the Shyrrefs as of other officers. Notwythstandynge any lawes before this tyme made to; the punyshmẽte of such offendours. wherfo;e the kynge our souereyn lo;d by the aduyce and assent of his lo;des spirituel and tempo;al and of the comons in this p;esent parlyament assembled and by auctho;ite of the same enacteth establyssheth wylleth and cõmaundeth that all the sayd lawes be duly put in execucion. And it be o;deyned by the sayd auctho;yte that the Justices of peas within this reãlme in any enquestes of offyce before theym o; any of theym to be taken Admitte no; take any panel of such enquestes to be returned afore theym but if the same panell be fyrst seen: before theym and they to refourme it by their discrecyon if cause be: and that euery panel otherwise receyued be voyde and of none effecte And fer thermo;e be it enacted by the sayd auctho;ite as fo; any periury cõmytted by any inquestes betwene the kynge and the partye: prye

and partye wherupon iugement is herafter gyuen that the party greued or any other that wyl complayne of any vnlawful maynte/naunce ymbracynge corrupcõn of any offycers wherby the said periury was induced and of periury by the sayd enquestes cõmitted maye complayne by byll to be presented afore the Justyce: or Justices by whome iugement shalbe gyuen whych Justice or Justices shalbe bounde to receyue it soo that the complaynante presente the same byl before the same Justice or Justyces wythin vi. dayes after the Jugement yeuen and fynde suffycyent suertie before the same Justice or Justices by his or their discrecion to be admytted & wil bynde them by recognysaunce or otherwyse in suche sõme or sõmes of money as shall be lymytted by the discrecion of the same Justice or Justices to the seuerall parties vpon whom he shall cõplayne vpon cõdycõn that if the partye cõplaynaunt prouc nat sufficiently the matere of his cõplaynt to be true that than the sayde complaynaunt to paye such costes and damages to the seuerall partyes greued and at suche tyme as shall be consydered and awarded by the dyscrecyon of the sayde persones: that haue power by thys present acte to examyne the same And that the sayde Justyce or Justyces after the receyte of the sayde byll of complaynt in fourme rehersed certyfie the sayd byl vnder his or their seale or seales vnto the Chaunceller of Englonde for the tyme beynge. And thanne the same Chaunceller shall cause by writte at the sute and costys of the partye complaynaunt all suche persone or persones ayenst whom the sayde cõplaynte is so made to come afore the same Chaunceller and Treasorer of Englonde the cheyf Justice of eyther benche and the clerke of the Rolles for the tyme beynge which shal haue full power and by auctoryte by thys present acte by their discrecion to examyne all such persone or personnes apperynge before theym of all thynges comprysed in the byll of cõplaynte and to punysshe al and euery suche persone or personnes as by that examynacion shalbe fõnde offender or offendours as wel of periury as other after theyr sayde discrecyon. And ouer that be it enacted that if the party complaynaunt pursue nat or proue nat his byll of complaynt than he to yelde to euery persone by hym wrongefully vexed his costes & damages & make fyne to the kynge after the discrecyon af theym before whom the examynacõn is so had. And it is ferther ordeyned & this acte extende nat to the anyntysement nother vndoynge of the verdyte & iugement

yeuen but that the sayd verdite & iugement stonde in his strength to the tyme it be vndone or auoyded by writ of errour or atteynt or otherwyse after such ordre as the comon lawe was afore the tyme of makynge of this statute this present acte nat withstandige

¶ And ouer that be ordeyned by the sayd auctorite that if periurye be cõmytted by proues in the kinges courte of the Chauncery or before the kynges honourable Counseyle or elles where: that thanne the fore named Chaunceller vppon a bylle to hym putte with lyke sucrtye as is afore rehersed make lyke proces to calle in the supposed periured persones afore the sayd Chaunceller Treasorer Justices & clerke of the Rolles & they to haue power to here and examyne the said persones and if the said persones of the periury or other mysbehauynge before rehersed so be cõuycted: that than they to be punysshed vnder lyke fourme as is afore rehersed

¶ Prouided alway that this acte begynne to take his effecte atte the feest of the Natyuite of oure lorde next comynge: and no lenger to endure but vnto the nexte parliament.

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For holdynge the Shyriks Tournes within the Counties of South Surr and Sussex Capitulo xxvi

¶ Prayen the comons in this present parliament assembled that where it was establysshed and enacted the fyrste yere of the reyne of kynge Rychard the third late in dede and nat of right kynge of Englonde: that no Bailly nor other officer shulde retourne in any panel in any Shyrets tourne or laweday any persone but such as be of gode name and fame and haue londes and tenementes of fre holde within the same Countye where they ben inhabitaũt of the yerly value of xx shelinges at the leeste or elles londes and tenementes holden by the custume of the Manor called copyholde within the sayde Countye of the yerly value of xxvi shelynges viii d. ouer alle charges at leest as in the sayde statute more playnly it appereth: and that al endytementes and presentementes taken afore any Shiref in his Tourne otherwyse be voyde and of none effecte. By reason of whiche statute many Shyrefs of the Coũtyes of South Surr & Sussex intending truly haue loste the prouffyte of many of hys or theyr Tournes

in any of the sayd tournes: That thanne it shall be leful to euery shiref vndershiref clerke bailly or other mynystre to charge & swe re any other persone or persones in any of the said shirefs tournes where such none sufficient & defaute of inhabitantes & apparaun ce is had suche as be of gode name & fame and the beste by his or their discrecyon þ appere afore hym or theym and none officer nor seruaunt to the said shirefs vndershirefs clerkis baillies or mynis tres. And þ al indytementis & presentmētis other than felony so taken cōcernynge the said shirefs tournes be gode & effectual nat withstandynge the sayd acte made in the firste yere of kynge Ry- charde aforsayd And þ the shirefs vndershirefs clerkes or baylies of any of the sayd counties nor none of them doynge acordyng to this present acte/ forfeyte any thynge or be in any wyse preiudiced for doynge any thinge cōtrary to the sayd statute made i the first yere of the sayd kynge Rychard And þ euery shyref vndershyref clerke bailly or mynystre þ do contrary to this ordynaunce in any poynt forfeyte the sōme of C s. at euery tyme that they or any of them do the cōtrary of the same in any poynte of the same. Sa- uynge to euery persone & persones their lawful lybertyes & fraun chyses and tenauntes and inhabitauntes of the same Thys acte to endure vnto the next parliament.

For fustians to be shorne With the brode shere Capitulo xxvii

PRayen the comons in this present parlyament assembled þ where any fustyans brought from the parties of beyon/ de the se vnshorne into this realme haue be & shuld be the most ꝓfitable cloth for dublettes & for other werīge clothes gretly vsed amonge the comon people of this realme & lengeste haue en- dured of any thynge þ hath comen into thys same realme fro the sayd parties as to þ entent wherof the cause hath ben þ such fusty/ ans afore this tyme hath ben truly wrought & shorn with the bro de shere & with none other īstrument or other disceytful meane oc cupied vpon the same. Nowe so it is þ diuers ꝑsones by subtilte & vndue sleyghtes & meanes haue disceyuably ymagyned & contry ued instrumentes of yron with the which yrons in the most hyghe est & secrete places of their houses the strike & drawe the sayd yrōs

and many great myſances and offences nat preſented no; the of-
fendoure: and treſpalloures in the ſame punyſſhed to the greate
hurte of the inhabytantys of the ſame: fo; wythin ſome hundres
there. There be nat ſo many perſones of ſuche londes and tene-
mentys dwellynge oute of fraunchiſes and thoughe they were of
that hauyour they wolde nat appere fo; the loſſe of two pence o;
foure pence at the day of the Tourne whych ſmall amercyamen-
ts of olde tyme vſed: wherby the kynges ſayde courtes in dyuer-
ſe partyes of the ſayde Countees be loſte. In conſideracion wher-
of it may be ſtablyſſhed and enacted by the aduyſe and aſſente of
the lo;des ſpi;itual and tempo;al and the ſayd comons in this pre
ſent parlyamentt aſſembled and by aucto;yte of the ſame. That
it ſhall be leful to euery ſhyref of any of the ſayd Countees to im-
pancl and ſũmone xxiiii lawful men of ſuche inhabytauntes with
in the p;ecyncte of euery of his o; theyr Tournes as owe ſuyte too
the ſame Tourne: o; Tournes. And whereof euery of the ſayde
xxiiii men haue londes and tenementes of fre holde too the perely
value of x ſhelynges ouer alle charges o; londes & tenementes of
Copy holde to the perely value of xiii ſhelynges iiii pence ouer all
charges within any of the ſayde Countyes where ſuche Tourne
o; tournes is o; be to be kepte. And ſoo many there too appere at
the day of the tourne befo;e the ſayd Shyref vnderſhiref o; cler-
ke to enquire of the articles of the ſayde Tourne. And that euery
of the ſayde xxiiii men ſoo beynge impaneled & ſũmoned nat ap-
perynge be amercyed in the ſayd ſhirefs Tourne o; Tournes fo;
nat doyng of their ſuyte to the ſame xii pence ¶ Prouided alwey
that there be xii of the ſayde inhabytauntes ſoo impaneled wyth
the p;ecyncte of euery tourne appere: Soo that in euery Tourne
there be a lawfulle Jury of theym ſwo;ne: that thanne all the re-
menaunte of theym ſoo ympaneled that make defaute be nat a-
mercyed fo; that defaute: But only fo; the ſuyte. And as it was
lawfully vſed afo;e the makynge of the ſayde ſtatute. And ouer
that be it enacted that after due and lawfull ſũmons hadde of the
inhabytauntes as is afo;e ſayde: if that there appere nat xii men
in euery of the ſayde ſhyrefs Tournes of the ſayde inhabytaun-
tes hauynge londes and tenementes of the perely value of x. ſhe-
lynges o; xiii. ſhelynges iiii pence as is aboue ſayde. ¶ And if
there be nat xxiiii ſuch inhabytauntes whyche maye be ympanel-
led and ſummoned in manere and fourme aboue ſayde.